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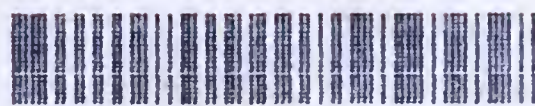
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PHILADELPHIA.



GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA

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ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL

GRAND LODGE

OF THE

MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY

OF

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA

AND

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BEING EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF ITS QUARTERLY, SPECIAL AND  
ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATIONS

DURING THE YEAR A.D. 1911—A.L. 5911

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# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, March 1, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ WILLIAM A. SINN . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . .	<i>Deputy Grand Secretary.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Master.</i>
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . .	} <i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ THOMAS H. FENTON . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . .	
“ JOHN F. BEITEL . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . .	
“ WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . .	
“ WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . .	
“ HOMER E. SPENCER . .	
“ JOHN G. HESS . .	
“ EZRA C. DOTY . .	
“ BOYD G. STEEL . .	

Bro. WILSON I. FLEMING . . .	}	
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .	}	
" ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . .	}	
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . .	}	
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .	}	
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .	}	
" JAMES W. McDOWELL . . .	}	
" JOHN S. SELL . . .	}	
" JOHN D. CARR . . .	}	
" JAMES McLAREN . . .	}	
" KIMBALL D. BATCHELER . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .	}	
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . .	}	
" JOHN D. GOFF . . .	}	
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .	}	
" JOHN G. BROAD . . .	}	
" GEORGE B. FRANTZ . . .	}	
" EDGAR W. ROBINSON . . .	}	
" FREDERICK L. SMITH . . .	}	
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .	}	
" WILLIAM D. MCILROY . . .	}	
" J. HARVEY HARRISON . . .	}	
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT . . .	}	
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .	}	
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .	}	
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .	}	
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .	}	
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. MCCANDLESS . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and eighty-four Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.



Most Worshipful Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick, Brother HENRY S. BRIDGES, was pleased to visit the Grand Lodge and was received with the customary honors.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held December 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, and of the Annual Grand Communication, held December 27, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, were read and separately approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from F. E. M. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from M. H. A. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

Harry L. Hart died February 2, 1907, leaving his entire estate in trust to pay the income to certain members of his family

for life, and upon their death pay over the principal of the estate in equal shares to:

The Federation of Jewish Charities of Philadelphia;  
 The Young Men's Hebrew Association of Philadelphia;  
 Congregation Rodeph Shalom of Philadelphia;  
 This Grand Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication held 5th June, 1907, Grand Lodge adopted a resolution giving up its interest in one-sixth of the estate (see Proceedings 1907, p. 25).

Harry L. Hart's father, Frederick, died July 4, 1910. His life was insured in the Connecticut Mutual Life Ins. Co., payable to "My children or their legal representatives." At the time the policy was taken out, there were three children, Harry L. and two daughters.

The two daughters, sisters of Harry L., assert that their father, through inadvertence, neglected after their brother's death to change the beneficiaries. The Insurance Company required the Executors of Harry L. to join in the proofs of loss and the Executors have done so and have received one-third of the amount due on the policy, \$673.37.

The counsel for the Executors has written to Grand Lodge:

"As neither the Hart family nor the Executors feel that the Estate of Harry L. Hart is entitled to this but that it should go to the daughters of Frederick Hart, it has been suggested that all the beneficiaries under the will of Harry L. Hart, deceased, join in an agreement or assignment which will cause the one-third of the policy to be turned over to the said daughters."

The other three organizations have given up their interest in the fund. While there is no legal ground to compel Grand Lodge to give up its one-fourth of the \$673.37, it seems to the Committee on Finance that it is more than likely that the father, had he known that his deceased son's estate could share in the policy, would have changed the beneficiaries so that his daughters would have taken the whole \$2000, and as the other three beneficiaries interested have already given up their share (three-fourths), we recommend that Grand Lodge gives up its one-



fourth as a gracious thing to do. We ask the adoption of the following :

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of Grand Lodge such formal renunciation of Grand Lodge's interest in one-fourth of one-third of the amount of the policy on the life of Frederick Hart, deceased, as they may deem effective for that purpose.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee on Finance,

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,  
FRANK M. HIGHLEY,  
HENRY E. TRIPLER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL.

PHILADELPHIA, March 1, 1911.

### COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-laws and Amendments to the By-laws referred to them and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 468 and 666 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 254 be amended as follows : Article VI, Section 1, by inserting after the word "standing" in the third line, the words "and paid full dues for," and that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 562 be amended as follows : Article VII, Section 3, be amended to read "Any Brother who has been a member and has paid full

dues for twenty-five years or more shall pay Grand Lodge dues, the same to be paid to the Lodge on or before the night of Annual Election." Article VIII, Section 3, by inserting after the word "Treasurer," the words "after the payment of all bills," and that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 609 be amended as follows: Article III, Section 2, by striking out the words "if required by the Lodge." Article III, Section 4, by inserting after the word "may," in the third line, the words "tyle and"; Article VII, Section 3, be made to read as follows: "Any member who shall have paid full dues for twenty years or more, shall be constituted a Life Member on payment of \$40.00 in addition to the dues to the time of such payment"; Article X, Section 2, by inserting after the word "required" in the last line, the words "not exceeding \$50.00," and that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 664 be amended as follows: Article V, Section 2, strike out the entire Section and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 2—The full fee for all degrees petitioned for shall in all cases be paid before any degree is conferred." Article VI, Section 2, by striking out the words "or any constituted Lodge or Lodges of F. & A. M.," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Lodge," and that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 19, 25, 67, 233, 256, 290, 295, 325, 327, 375, 380, 430, 481, and 610 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 269 be not approved, being incomplete, and that the Lodge be directed to further amend its By-laws to conform to the Rules and Regulations of Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 273, Article III, Section 3, Article V, Section 1, be approved and that Article VII, paragraph 2, be amended by striking out the sentence "They shall have full charge of the Permanent Charity Fund and invest the principal thereof to the best advantage in securities satisfactory to the Lodge." Insert



after the word "Treasurer" in the last line, the words "of the Committee," and that as so amended it be approved. That the proposed Amendments to Article VIII, Section 2, and Article X, Section 4, be not approved. That Article X be amended by providing for the election of three Trustees of the Permanent Charity Fund.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 316, Article I, Section 1, be approved and that Article II, Section 1, be amended as noted on copy and that as so amended it be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 304, Article IV, Section 1, Article V, Section 1, and Article VI, be approved and that the Lodge be directed to amend Article III, Section 3, by making the salary of the Secretary a fixed annual amount.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 623 be not approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,  
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,  
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,  
*Committee on By-laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, March 1, 1911.

## COMMITTEE ON PRINTING AND PUBLISHING.

The Committee on Printing and Publishing made the following report, when, on motion, the request attached thereto was granted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The published Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for the year 1910 will be issued in a short time.

The edition of 8000 copies—the work being done by the noted publishing house of J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia, makes an attractive Volume.

The book contains the well-executed portraits of the Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, the present presiding officer for the years 1910 and 1911, and that of Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer since 1908.

Your Committee intends securing for the Volume of 1911, portraits of Brother J. BANNISTER GIBSON, who presided as Right Worshipful Grand Master in 1824, and that of Brother JAMES HARPER, who acted as Right Worshipful Grand Master in the year 1825.

Your Committee anticipates having considerable difficulty in procuring, for publication in future Journals, portraits of a number of the former Past Grand Masters, who presided over the Grand Lodge from 1731 to 1786,—when the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania became independent on September 25, 1786,—also of the Provincial Grand Lodge (ancient), 1761 to 1786, and those of the Provincial Grand Lodge which ceased to exist about 1775.

The prospects of procuring portraits of our Grand Masters between 1732 and 1823 indicate that it will be an exceedingly difficult task, requiring the Committee to consult with many of the remaining descendants, if found, of those who long since have passed into the great beyond.

Your Committee asks permission and authority to proceed in securing the portraits of Past Grand Masters GIBSON and HARPER, and preparing them for the printed Journal of Proceedings for 1911.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted by

M. RICHARDS MUCKIÉ,  
WILLIAM H. BELLWS,  
EDWARD A. STOCKTON,  
G. ELLWOOD WAGNER,  
THEODORE EVANS,

*Committee on Printing and Publishing.*

PHILADELPHIA, March 1, 1911.



## COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOMES.

Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS made the following report for the Committee on Masonic Homes, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

The Committee on Masonic Homes reports that in its judgment it is advisable that certain additional tracts of land at El zabethtown be purchased, viz.:

From John E. Ulrich, six acres and one hundred and thirty-two perches for the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars ; from Christian K. Shank, one-half acre, for the sum of Thirty-Five Dollars ; from Daniel S. Kaylor, seven and two-tenths acres, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars, and recommend that this additional land be purchased.

The Committee offers the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the recommendation of the Committee on Ma-sonic Homes be approved and it is hereby authorized and directed to make such purchases and have the titles thereto insured.

## 125th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON announced that the Special Committee to invite the President of the United States to the celebration of our 125th Anniversary, consisting of Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY, and the speaker (Brother LAMBERTON), had been received at the White House on the 25th of January and the President assured them he would attend, if he was in this part of the country at that time. He informed them that he might possibly be in Alaska about September and in that case would not be able to attend.

## MEMORIAL TO WASHINGTON THE MASON.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE made the following announcement :

“I was asked to meet with other Grand Masters at Alexandria, Va., by the Alexandria-Washington Lodge to take steps in regard to a Washington Memorial, but owing to physical reasons, I was unable to attend and appointed Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON to attend that meeting as my personal representative.”

Brother LAMBERTON stated that the object of the meeting was to erect a Memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason. That the Alexandria-Washington Lodge was not in need of any charity, as they had a very fine property, but like many other properties was not fire-proof and that the purpose was to erect a proper Memorial to WASHINGTON, which would be worthy of the Craft throughout the United States. President TAFT attended the meeting and in most cordial terms approved of this Memorial. In due time the matter will be brought to the attention of the Brethren of the Craft, and Pennsylvania should not be found lacking. It was a very interesting surprise to note that one of our Brethren, a member of Mozart Lodge of this Jurisdiction, was the very first person to make a donation to this Memorial.

An appeal was received from Brother G. L. T., a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge on February 14, 1911, in refusing (by direction of the District Deputy Grand Master) to allow action upon charges presented at a Stated Meeting on said date, because business disputes shall not be a matter

proper for Masonic charges, which appeal was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

An appeal was received from Brother A. M. J., Past Master of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge, relative to the trial of W. B., which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

A communication was read from A. J. McK., formerly a member of late Lodge No. 251, requesting the Grand Lodge to restore him to good Masonic standing. He being clear of the books of said Lodge, it was, on motion,

*Resolved*, That his request be granted.

Most Worshipful Grand Master of New Brunswick, Brother HENRY S. BRIDGES, addressed the Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, 30 minutes, P.M.

*William A. Sinn*  
*Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, June 7, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" WILLIAM L. GORGAS . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" J. HENRY WILLIAMS . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" LOUIS A. WATRES . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. }	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . }	
" ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . }	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE HALE . . . .	
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . .	
" GEORGE H. SHIRK . . .	
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . .	
" ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	
" JAMES N. RICHARDS . .	
" JOHN F. BEITEL . . . .	
" AARON R. TRUMBOWER .	
" WILLIAM S. PUGH . . .	
" WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH	
" THOMAS F. WELLS . . .	
" WILLIAM H. HULSIZER .	
" JOHN G. HESS . . . .	
" EZRA C. DOTY . . . .	
" WILSON I. FLEMING . .	
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .	
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . .	
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . }	

Bro. WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" JAMES McLAREN . . .		
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .		
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .		
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . .		
" JOHN G. BROAD . . .		
" RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . .		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD . . .		
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .		
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .	}	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and thirty-eight Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held March 1, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. D. W. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.



A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from B. L. L. a second application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from H. E. S. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from L. F. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. J. R. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from W. A. L. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from M. Z. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

## COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

In the matter of the appeal of Brother G. L. T. from the action of ——— Lodge No. ———, the Committee on Appeals respectfully reports :

Brother T. filed charges against Brother J. S. G., a member of ——— Lodge No. ———, charging the latter with gross un-Masonic conduct, and set forth in specifications that in 1898 Brother T. had entered into an agreement with Brother G. whereby a large amount of valuable real estate and personal property was transferred to Brother G. in trust for Brother T.'s wife, and that the "agreement was entered into on purely Masonic grounds," and that subsequently Brother G. refused to carry out the terms of the agreement. No suit was ever begun by Brother T. in the civil courts to recover the property, and when the charges were presented to ——— Lodge, Brother ———, the District Deputy Grand Master, directed that no action should be taken on them by the Lodge, as the alleged offense grew out of a business transaction and should be determined by the civil courts. Brother T. therefore appealed.

Your Committee are of the opinion that the course pursued by ——— Lodge was correct, and therefore we recommend that Grand Lodge adopt the following :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of Brother G. L. T. from the action of ——— Lodge No. ———, be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

MURDOCH KENDRICK.

PHILADELPHIA, June 7, 1911.



The Committee on Appeals made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

A. M. J., a member of ——— Lodge No. ———, preferred against W. B., also a member of the Lodge, charges of gross un-Masonic conduct. The specifications were :

*1st.* Conspiracy with other members of Councils and officials of the banks of the City of ———, to cheat and defraud the City.

*2d.* Conspiracy to defraud the City.

*3d.* "Brother B. was indicted by the Grand Jury of ——— County for bribery ; tried in the Courts of said County, convicted by a jury of his peers on ———, sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and the costs of prosecution, and to undergo an imprisonment of one year and six months in the ——— Penitentiary."

The verdict of the Trial Committee on Specifications 1 and 2 was "Not Guilty."

On Specification 3 the Committee reported, "We find the statement of fact to be correct, but your Committee entertains a reasonable doubt as to the justice of the conviction and sentence, and the Committee recommends as to all the specifications and to the charges as a whole that they be dismissed."

Upon presentation to the Lodge the verdict and recommendation of the Committee were adopted.

Brother J. appealed to the Grand Lodge.

Accompanying the Appeal was a certified copy of the record in the Court of Quarter Sessions of ——— County, wherein it appears that Brother B. was indicted, tried and convicted of bribery while a member of Councils of the City of ———. After elaborate argument on motion for a new trial, the motion was refused ; W. B. was sentenced to the Penitentiary, and upon appeal taken, the Superior Court in a long and careful opinion affirmed the judgment of the Court below.

At the time of the hearing before the Trial Committee no evidence was submitted to the Committee except that of the trial, conviction, and sentence affirmed by the Superior Court.

It appeared in the argument before the Committee on Appeals that the position taken by the Trial Committee was that the proceedings before them were in the nature of a new trial of W. B., and there being no witnesses produced to sustain the bribery charges they thought themselves at liberty to disregard the action of the Court and Jury in finding him guilty.

This position is untenable.

To dismiss charges against a man who is serving a sentence for bribery because the Mason who made the charges fails to bring in evidence to convict the convict before the Trial Committee, is to refuse to give any weight to the verdict of our Courts.

As Masons and citizens we *must* give effect to the judgments of our Criminal Courts affirmed by the Appellate Courts.

The only remaining question to be decided in this case is: Was the crime, for which W. B. was convicted, one which covers the individual with such disgrace and infamy, as to make it proper in the interest of Freemasonry, that he should be expelled?

It is a serious matter to expel a Brother Mason, but it would be manifold worse, to let the world know that we had regarded as fit to be a Mason, a man who had been properly convicted of a heinous crime, one affecting in the highest degree the safety of the State.

Your Committee are of the opinion that a member of Councils of a City, who has been properly convicted of bribery in office, is fit neither to be made a Mason, nor to remain one.

The corruption of the people's representatives in Councils, or in the Legislature, aims at the destruction of the very foundations of society, and should receive the severe condemnation of every right-minded man. Masons, as a body, ought to put their stamp of disapproval on the crime in no uncertain words.

Your Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following:

*Resolved:* 1st. That the Appeal of Brother A. M. J. from the action of ——— Lodge be sustained.



2d. That ——— Lodge No. ——— be directed to expel W. B. from membership.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

GEORGE C. BURGWIN.

PHILADELPHIA, June 7, 1911.

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Finance respectfully reports that the subscriptions to the new Masonic Loan may not, under the terms of payment prescribed, yield sufficient funds in the near future to meet the payments growing due under the contracts now in force. It is deemed wise, therefore, to provide for a temporary loan, if it be found necessary to raise moneys during the Summer.

The Committee on Finance therefore recommend the adoption of the following :

*Resolved*, That for the present needs of the Committee on Masonic Homes, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, authorize the borrowing of not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), the same to be evidenced by notes signed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master and the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, to the order of the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, and by him endorsed.

Loans to be negotiated as the moneys may be needed at the then current rate of interest, and to mature at such dates as may be agreed on between the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer and the bank or banks loaning the money.

*Resolved*, That the proceeds of the note or notes thus negotiated be and the same are hereby appropriated to the Committee on Masonic Homes, to be drawn in the usual way.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,  
HENRY E. TRIPLER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
*Committee on Finance.*

PHILADELPHIA, June 7, 1911.

### COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully reports that it has examined the proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws referred to it, and offers the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 262, 301, 328, 425, 532, 572, and 665 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 52, 81, 131, 163, 186, 211, 246, 261, 273, 274, 296, 431, 449, 481, 527, 537, 543, 552, 562, 610, 634, 636, 641, and 644 be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 289, Article III, Section 2, be approved. Article VI, Section 1, be amended by striking out the words "a vote of the Lodge or." Article XI, Section 3, be amended by striking out the words "unless otherwise directed by the Lodge." And that as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 409, Article III, Section 3, be approved. Article

III, Section 4, be approved. Article VI, Section 1, be approved. Article VI, Section 4, be approved. Article V, Section 1, be amended by striking out the words "be payable immediately upon election," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "accompany the petition." And that as so amended it be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Lodge No. 574 be returned to the Lodge with instructions to make the salary of the Secretary a fixed annual amount.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,  
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,  
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,  
*Committee on By-laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, June 7, 1911.

### COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOMES.

The Committee on Masonic Homes made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Masonic Homes have prepared plans and specifications for a building to be called the "Grand Lodge Hall," on the Masonic Home site at Elizabethtown. These plans and specifications have been submitted to a number of bidders. Sealed bids from twenty contractors were received and opened, and we recommend that the contract be awarded to John R. Wiggins & Co., for not exceeding the sum of \$377,-145.00, that being the lowest bid and they being the lowest bidders.

The Committee on Masonic Homes are having prepared plans and specifications for a power plant, laundry department



heating and ventilating system, conduits, railroad siding, and other necessary work, and equipping the same for service and use, in connection with the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown, and are desirous of having the contracts awarded prior to the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge in September, 1911. The Committee have received estimates from experts in this line of work, who state that it will cost about \$120,000.00.

The Committee on Masonic Homes have had prepared plans and specifications for building a road from the railroad to "Grand Lodge Hall" and Hospital, storm water sewers, grading grounds, etc., according to the plans and specifications of the engineer employed by the Committee, and have let part of the contract to John Goll & Co. The estimated cost of the construction and completion of the system is \$60,000.00.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania ratify and approve the action of the Committee on Masonic Homes and award the contract for the "Grand Lodge Hall" at Elizabethtown to John R. Wiggins & Co., and that the Right Worshipful Grand Master be authorized to execute the necessary papers to carry this resolution into effect.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania direct and empower the Committee on Masonic Homes to award the contracts for the power plant, laundry department, heating and ventilating system, conduits, railroad siding, and other necessary work, and equipping the same, to the lowest bidders, not to exceed the sum of \$120,000.00, and that the Right Worshipful Grand Master be authorized to execute the necessary papers to carry this resolution into effect.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania ratify and approve the action of the Committee on Masonic Homes in expending not exceeding \$60,000.00 for building a road from the railroad to the "Grand Lodge

Hall" and Hospital, storm water sewers, grading ground, etc., and that the Right Worshipful Grand Master be authorized to execute the necessary papers to carry this resolution into effect.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
WILLIAM L. GORGAS,  
J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
LOUIS A. WATRES,  
GEORGE B. ORLADY,  
DAVID A. SAWDEY,  
EDWARD W. PATTON,  
*Committee on Masonic Homes.*

PHILADELPHIA, June 7, 1911.

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Senior Grand Deacon, offered the following preamble and resolution, which were, on motion, adopted :

WHEREAS, Brother Field Marshal, His Royal Highness ARTHUR WILLIAM PATRICK ALBERT, DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AND STRATHEARN, K. G., &c., &c., Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Freemasons of England, has been appointed by His Majesty King George V, to be Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, and will enter upon his duties in September next :

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which formerly was a Provincial Grand Lodge under the Grand Lodge of England, extends to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of England, an especially cordial and Fraternal invitation to be present and participate in the celebration in September next, of the 125th Anniversary of the existence of this Grand Lodge, as a Sovereign and Independent Grand Lodge.

An appeal was received from F. H. R., formerly a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge in suspending him from membership for

un-Masonic conduct November 9, 1910, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

An appeal was received from Brother W. T. E., a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of Lodge No. — in the matter of charges preferred by the said Brother W. T. E. against Brother D. B. S., a member of Lodge No. —, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

A communication was read from the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, Free and Accepted Masons, requesting recognition by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which was referred to the Committee on Landmarks and the Committee on Correspondence jointly.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, 25 minutes, P.M.

JOHN A. PERRY,  
*Acting Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, September 6, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. }	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . }	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . }	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . }	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . . }	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . . }	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . . }	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . }	
“ JOHN F. BEITEL . . . . }	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . }	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . . }	
“ WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH	
“ JOHN W. CODDING . . . }	
“ JOHN G. HESS . . . . }	
“ EZRA C. DOTY . . . . }	
“ DAVID A. SAWDEY . . . }	
“ ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . . }	
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . }	
“ WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . }	

Bro. HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF . . .		
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . .		
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .		
" JOHN G. BROAD . . .		
" EDGAR W. ROBINSON . . .		
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .		
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .		
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .		
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .		<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .	}	<i>As Grand Stewards.</i>
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS . . .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

One hundred and thirty-two Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 7 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held June 7, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. E. M. a second application for permis-

sion to present a third petition for initiation and membership, when, on motion, it was

*Resolved*, That the request be refused, as the Grand Lodge on June 5, 1907, granted the same request and the application was acted upon by the Lodge August 8, 1907, and permission was refused, therefore such a request, at this time, is irregular.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The Grand Secretary herewith presents his annual report of the membership and the number of Lodges in this Masonic Jurisdiction, for the year ending December 27, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910:

Number of Lodges December 27, 1909	. 477	
Lodges constituted during the year 1910	. 4	
Number of Lodges December 27, 1910	. 481	
Membership of Lodges December 27, 1909		92,116
Admitted during the year 1910	. 636	
Initiated during the year 1910	. 6,008	
	————	6,644
Suspended and expelled during the year		
1910	. 476	
Resigned during the year 1910	. 413	
Deceased during the year 1910	. 1,448	
	————	2,337
Increase during the year 1910	. .	4,307
Membership December 27, 1910	. .	96,423

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM A. SINN,  
*Grand Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, September 6, 1911.



## COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when, on motion, the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to the By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodge No. 589 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 62, 268, and 622 be returned to said Lodges with directions to adopt By-laws in conformity with the form approved by the Grand Master.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 134, 219, 389, 409, 424, 574, and 603 be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 324, Article III, Sections 3, 4, and 5, Article V, Article VI, Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5, and Article XII be approved, and that Article XI, Section 2, be amended by striking out the words, "and assigns," and that as so amended it be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 617, Article III, Sections 4 and 5, Article IV, Section 2, Article V, Sections 1 and 2, Article VI, Section 5, and Article IX, Section 2, be approved ; and that Article V, Section 3, be not approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,  
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,  
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,  
*Committee on By-laws.*

PHILADELPHIA, September 6, 1911.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Benton, Columbia County, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Sharon, Mercer County, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

An appeal was received from L. C. W., formerly a member of Lodge No. —, appealing from the action of said Lodge in expelling him from membership February 21, 1911, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The following charges of gross un-Masonic conduct were preferred by Brother W. J. M., a member of Lodge No. —, against Brother C. H. C., an unaffiliated Master Mason, and formerly a member of said Lodge No. —.

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It was on motion

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee be appointed to try Brother C. H. C. upon the charges:

whereupon the Right Worshipful Grand Master appointed the following Trial Committee: Brother NORRIS S. BARRATT, Lodge No. 2; Brother JOHN L. KINSEY, Lodge No. 444; Brother SAMUEL A. BOYLE, Lodge No. 126; Brother NATHAN M. GRIFFITH, Lodge No. 131; Brother GEORGE F. KNIGHT, Lodge No. 59.

Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, Brother LOUIS A. WATRES, offered the following preambles and resolution, which were, on motion, adopted:

WHEREAS, Authority has heretofore been given the Grand Secretary to attest the bonds of the Grand Lodge about to be issued and to sign all notes in behalf of Grand Lodge in connection with the needs of the Committee on Masonic Homes; and

WHEREAS, The Grand Secretary is temporarily incapacitated by illness from performing that duty; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Deputy Grand Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to attest said bonds and to sign the notes mentioned in the preamble.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 7 o'clock, 50 minutes, P.M.

JOHN A. PERRY,  
*Acting Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, September 25, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ EDGAR A. TENNIS . . . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . . . .	
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . . . .	
“ SAMUEL A. BOYLE . . . . .	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . . . .	
“ THOMAS H. FENTON . . . . .	
“ GEORGE HALE . . . . .	
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . . . .	
“ WILLIAM M. DONALDSON . . . . .	
“ SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . . . .	
“ GEORGE H. SHIRK . . . . .	
“ DAVID H. WEAVER . . . . .	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . . . .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . . . .	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . . . .	
“ JOHN F. BEITEL . . . . .	
“ AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . . . .	
“ WILLIAM S. PUGH . . . . .	
“ WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH . . . . .	
“ THOMAS F. WELLS . . . . .	
“ WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . . . .	
“ HOMER E. SPENCER . . . . .	

Bro. JOHN W. CODDING . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" JOHN G. HESS . . .		
" JOHN P. MELVIN . . .		
" WILLIAM F. CULLIS . . .		
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . .		
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . .		
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . .		
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . .		
" JAMES W. McDOWELL . . .		
" JOHN D. CARR . . .		
" JAMES McLAREN . . .		
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . .		
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . .		
" JOHN D. GOFF . . .		
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . .		
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . .		
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . .		
" JOHN G. BROAD . . .		
" RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . .		
" GEORGE B. FRANTZ . . .		
" FREDERICK L. SMITH . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .		
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . .		
" J. HARVEY HARRISON . . .		
" JAMES W. ROBINS . . .		
" CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD . . .		
" J. GRAY BOLTON . . .		
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT . . .		
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .	}	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .		
" ROBERT HUNTER . . .		<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .		
" DAVID L. FERRIS . . .		<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" RICHARD MONTGOMERY . . .		
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .		
" HARRY J. BELL . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		

BRO. J. WARNER HUTCHINS .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE M. McCANDLESS .	<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
“ CHARLES S. BAIR . . .	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Three hundred and fifty-eight Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 12 o'clock, high noon.

The Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of the following Grand and Past Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions:

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Virginia, Brother WILLIAM B. McCHESNEY;

Most Worshipful Grand Master of New Hampshire, Brother CHARLES H. WIGGIN;

Most Worshipful Grand Master of West Virginia, Brother WYNDHAM STOKES;

Most Worshipful Grand Master of the District of Columbia, Brother J. CLAUDE KEIPER;

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Utah, Brother GILBERT B. PFOUTZ;

Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, Brother G. LAYTON GRIER;

Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Michigan, Brother G. ROSCOE SWIFT (representing his Grand Master);

Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Washington, Brother ROYAL A. GOVE (representing his Grand Master);

Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Brother HENRY THOMPSON BURNAP (representing his Grand Master);



Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of West Virginia, Brother BRAXTON D. GIBSON, and

Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, Brother FRANK W. HAVENS (representing his Grand Master).

This Special Communication of the Grand Lodge having been held, to comply with the preambles and resolutions adopted at the Quarterly Communication, held September 7, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910, to celebrate the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Independence of this Grand Lodge. Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE then proceeded with the following programme, which had been prepared by the Committee for this occasion:

#### PROGRAMME.

1. GRAND MARCH—Orchestra.....*Mendelssohn.*  
Entrance of the Officers and Guests of the Grand Lodge.
2. OPENING OF THE GRAND LODGE.
3. PRAYER. .... Brother JAMES W. ROBINS,  
Grand Chaplain.
4. CHORUS WITH TENOR SOLO—"The Omnipotence"....*Schubert-Liszt.*
5. ADDRESS ..... Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
R. W. Grand Master of  
Pennsylvania.
6. CAVATINA—Orchestra ..... *Raff.*
7. ADDRESS—Historical ... .. Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
R. W. Senior Grand Warden  
of Pennsylvania.
8. CHORUS—"To the Sons of Art" ..... *Mendelssohn.*  
ADDRESS—"Free Masonry and Education,"  
Brother EDGAR FAHS SMITH,  
Provost of the University  
of Pennsylvania.
10. CHORUS—"The Heavens Resound".....*Beethoven.*

11. ADDRESS—"Free Masonry and Character,"  
Brother SAMUEL BLACK McCORMICK,  
Chancellor of the University  
of Pittsburgh.
12. OVERTURE—"Jubel" ..... *Weber.*  
(Concluding with "My Country 'tis of Thee.")  
ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS.
13. GREETINGS FROM THE VISITING M. W. GRAND MASTERS.
14. CLOSING OF THE GRAND LODGE.
15. PRAYER ..... Brother JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF,  
Grand Chaplain.

### Withdrawal of the Officers and Guests of the Grand Lodge.

Before closing the Grand Lodge the following communications were read:

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23, 1911.

MR. W<sup>M</sup>. A. SINN,

Grand Secretary, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

MY DEAR BROTHER:

I have the pleasure of informing you that at a stated communication of the Grand Lodge held this evening the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the fraternal greetings and hearty congratulations of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia be extended to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania upon the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the institution of that Grand body as an independent Grand Lodge.

This will be presented to you by our Grand Master, M. W. J. CLAUDE KEIPER, who will no doubt convey the felicitations of this Grand Lodge in terms more eloquent than the language of the resolution.

With personal congratulations I remain,

Fraternally yours,

{ SEAL OF THE }  
{ GRAND LODGE }

A. W. JOHNSTON,  
*Grand Secretary.*

BEVERLY, MASS., Sept. 8, 1911.

MY DEAR MR. GUTHRIE :

I am very sorry that I am prevented from attending your celebration in Philadelphia on September 25th.

I had hoped to be present on this occasion, but on account of my Western trip I shall have to forego that pleasure.

Please be good enough to convey to my Pennsylvania Brethren an expression of my sincere regret in not being able to be with you and of my best wishes for a pleasant occasion.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

WM. H. TAFT.

Hon. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
R. W. Grand Master of Masons,  
Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.

Grand Secretary's  
Office

United Grand Lodge of England  
Freemasons' Hall  
Great Queen Street, London, W. C.

4th September, 1911.

To the Honorable George W. Guthrie, R. W. Grand Master of  
Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania.

RT. WORSHIPFUL SIR AND DEAR BROTHER:

I am desired by the M. W. Grand Master to convey to you His Royal Highness's warmest thanks for your very cordial and fraternal invitation to visit your city and take part in the interesting and important meeting to be held during the present month in commemoration of the establishment of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as an Independent and Sovereign Body.

It would not only be in accordance with His Royal Highness's personal desire, but, as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge whence the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania derived its origin, it would be peculiarly appropriate that the Grand Lodge of England should be represented on the occasion, but as His Royal Highness does not leave England to assume the Governor-



Generalship of Canada until early in October, he is precluded from accepting your invitation and participating in the celebration.

His Royal Highness desires to offer you Right Worshipful Sir and the Officers and Brethren of your Grand Lodge, his heartfelt congratulations and to express a hope that the gathering may be in every respect a successful and memorable one, and that the fraternally cordial relations of the two Grand Lodges which have stood the test of a century and a quarter of uninterrupted intercourse, may continue for all time.

I am further desired to convey to you His Royal Highness's thanks for the interesting albums containing views of the various meeting places of your Grand Lodge, from the modest structure occupied by it in 1755, to the noble palace in which it is at present housed.

I remain, Rt. Worshipful Sir and Dear Brother,

E. LETCHWORTH,  
*Grand Secretary.*

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KINGFIELD, WOKING, 12th Sept., 1911.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER :

I desire to gratefully acknowledge the invitation of the R. W. the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be present at the celebration of the 125th anniversary of its Independence as a Grand Lodge, and also at the Church Service to be held on the previous day.

Unfortunately, the distance from my residence combined with the weight of 55 years and 9 months spent in Masonry will prevent my attendance at Philadelphia, but I feel it a great honour to have received an invitation to be present, and I heartily wish the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, its Lodges and Brethren very many prosperous and happy New Years.

Yours fraternally,

R. F. GOULD, P. G. D.,  
W. M. Lodge of King Solomon's  
Temple, No. 3464.

## FREEMASONS' HALL, DUBLIN.

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, Esqr., G. M. Pennsylvania.

R. W. BRO.:

With most sincere regret I find myself precluded, by the unalterable conditions of Time and Space, from availing myself of the honor conferred on me by the invitation to take part in the celebration, under your guidance, of the Independence of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The historical progress of your Grand Lodge has ever been a subject of deep interest to me, and I shall always feel pardonable pride in that I have been deemed worthy of an invitation to take part in the Ceremonies.

If opportunity should arise I can answer for the unfeigned desire of the Grand Lodge of Ireland to perpetuate the cordial relations that marked its intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and that began a full half century before the auspicious event now commemorated. Nor has that fraternal warmth ever slackened from the day of its inception to the present fortunate hour.

With venturesome egotism, I beg to forward herewith an account of one episode of that long-continued amity between our Grand Lodges.

With hearty good wishes,

Yours, in the ties of the Craft,

W. J. CHETWOODE CRAWLEY.

30th August, 1911.

Addresses were then made by His Excellency the Governor of Pennsylvania, Brother JOHN K. TENER, and each of the visiting Grand and Past Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions, and Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters of this Jurisdiction, Brothers EDGAR A. TENNIS, GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., and GEORGE B. ORLADY.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 3 o'clock, 18 minutes, P.M.

JOHN A. PERRY,  
*Acting Grand Secretary.*

After the closing of the Grand Lodge, the Brethren, numbering about 570, proceeded to the Grand Banquet Hall (to which the main corridor was annexed for accommodation), where an elegant banquet was partaken of, during which the Brethren were pleased to listen to the rendition of a beautiful musical programme, arranged for the occasion as follows:

#### MENU.

Grace by Brother DAVID L. FERRIS,  
*Grand Chaplain.*

Lynn Haven Oysters.  
Celery.                      Olives.                      Radishes.

Clear Green Turtle.

Lobster Cutlet and Broiled Oysters, a la Wiener.

Broiled Spring Chicken.  
Hot Asparagus, Cream Sauce.                      Marble Potatoes.

Grand Lodge Sherbet.  
Salted Almonds.                      Salted Pecans.

Terrapin.

Stuffed Reed Birds with Peas.  
Combination Salad.                      Cheese and Crackers.

Ice Creams.                      Water Ices.  
Chocolate Meringues.                      Variety of Cakes.

Fruits.                      Bonbons.  
Coffee.  
Cigars                      Cigarettes.  
White Rock Table Water.

Brother JACOB WIENER, *Caterer.*



## MUSICAL PROGRAMME.

CORONATION MARCH .....	<i>Meyerbeer.</i>
HUMORESQUE.....	<i>Dvorak.</i>
SPRING SONG.....	<i>Mendelssohn.</i>
VOCAL—"Greetings to Spring".....	<i>Strauss.</i>
DANCE OF THE HOURI.....	<i>Combs.</i>
VOCAL—"What from Vengeance" (Lucia).....	<i>Donizetti.</i>
MINUET.....	<i>Paderewski.</i>
SERENADE .....	<i>Moszkowski.</i>
VOCAL—"Soldiers' Chorus" (Faust) .....	<i>Gounod.</i>
MAZOURKA } (Coppelia Ballet).....	<i>Delibes.</i>
CZARDAS }	
VOCAL—"Thoughts of Home" .....	<i>Kromer.</i>
EXCERPTS—"La Boheme" .....	<i>Puccini.</i>
VOCAL—"Hark the Silver Trumpet Calling".....	<i>Nevin.</i>
CAPRICE—"Calinerie" }	<i>Combs.</i>
AIR DE BALLET—"Manon" }	
VOCAL—"Pilgrims' Chorus" (Tannhauser).....	<i>Wagner.</i>
MARCH—"Patriot" .....	<i>Geiger.</i>

*Musical Director*—Brother GILBERT RAYNOLDS COMBS

# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, October 23, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
“ WILLIAM L. GORGAS . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
“ J. HENRY WILLIAMS . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
“ LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ JOHN A. PERRY . . . .	<i>Acting R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. }	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
“ GEORGE B. ORLADY . . }	
“ GEORGE HALE . . . . }	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
“ JOHN W. LANSINGER . . }	
“ THADDEUS S. ADLE . . . }	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . . }	
“ JAMES N. RICHARDS . . }	
“ FREDERICK L. SMITH . . }	
“ JAMES W. ROBINS . . . }	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
“ J. GRAY BOLTON . . . }	
“ GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN }	
“ CHARLES H. BOND . . . }	
“ RICHARD MONTGOMERY . }	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ JAMES M. LAMBERTON .	
“ ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . .	<i>As Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
“ J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . }	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
“ HARRY J. BELL . . . }	
“ J. WARNER HUTCHINS .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN . . .	<i>As Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
“ JULIUS F. SACHSE . . .	<i>As Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Seventy-four Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 1 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master announced that Right Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother WILLIAM A. SINN, initiated September 5, 1867, in Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, held at Philadelphia, died October 17, 1911.

He was appointed Grand Secretary May 15, 1896, and elected to that office annually thereafter.

The Masonic Burial Service was then performed.

Eulogistic remarks were made by Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR., and Grand Chaplain Brother JAMES W. ROBINS.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 1 o'clock, 40 minutes, P.M.

JOHN A. PERRY,  
*Acting Grand Secretary.*



# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 6, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

BRO. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" EDGAR A. TENNIS . . . . .	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. . . . .	
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . . . .	
" ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . . . .	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE HALE . . . . .	
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . . . . .	
" WILLIAM M. DONALDSON . . . . .	
" SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . . . .	
" GEORGE H. SHIRK . . . . .	
" DAVID H. WEAVER . . . . .	
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . . . .	
" ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . . . .	
" JAMES N. RICHARDS . . . . .	
" JOHN F. BEITEL . . . . .	
" AARON R. TRUMBOWER . . . . .	
" WILLIAM S. PUGH . . . . .	
" WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH . . . . .	
" THOMAS F. WELLS . . . . .	
" WILLIAM H. HULSIZER . . . . .	
" HOMER E. SPENCER . . . . .	
" JOHN W. CODDING . . . . .	
" JOHN G. HESS . . . . .	

Bro. EZRA C. DOTY . . . .	
" WILSON I. FLEMING . . . .	
" JOHN P. MELVIN . . . .	
" DAVID A. SAWDEY . . . .	
" ADRIAN W. MCCOY . . . .	
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . . .	
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . . .	
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . . .	
" JAMES W. McDOWELL . . . .	
" JOHN S. SELL . . . .	
" JOHN D. CARR . . . .	
" JAMES McLAREN . . . .	
" KIMBALL D. BATCHELER . . . .	
" HOWARD C. FRONTZ . . . .	
" WILLIAM L. SIDLER . . . .	
" JOHN D. GOFF . . . .	
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . . .	
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . . .	
" WILLIAM S. DAUGHERTY . . . .	
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . . .	
" JOHN G. BROAD . . . .	
" RICHARD E. COCHRAN . . . .	
" GEORGE B. FRANTZ . . . .	
" EDGAR W. ROBINSON . . . .	
" FREDERICK L. SMITH . . . .	
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . . .	
" WILLIAM D. McILROY . . . .	
" J. HARVEY HARRISON . . . .	
" JAMES W. ROBINS . . . .	
" GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS . . . .	
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT . . . .	
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . . .	
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . . .	
" CHARLES H. BOND . . . .	
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . . .	
" JOSEPH W. MILES . . . .	
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . . .	
" RICHARD MONTGOMERY . . . .	
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . . .	
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . . .	

*District Deputy Grand Masters.*

*Grand Chaplains.*

*Senior Grand Deacon.*

*Junior Grand Deacon.*

BRO. J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" HARRY J. BELL . . .		
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS .		<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS .		<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . .		<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

Four hundred and thirty-three Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock, 15 minutes, A.M.

This being the time prescribed by the Ahiman Rezon for the annual election of Grand Officers and the Committee on Masonic Homes to serve during the ensuing Masonic year beginning on St. John the Evangelist's Day next, the Grand Master appointed tellers, who reported the following Brethren duly elected :

*R. W. Grand Master.*

Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS.

(Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE having declined a re-election.)

*R. W. Deputy Grand Master.*

Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS.

*R. W. Senior Grand Warden.*

Brother LOUIS A. WATRES.

*R. W. Junior Grand Warden.*

Brother JAMES B. KRAUSE.

*R. W. Grand Treasurer.*

Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG.

*R. W. Grand Secretary.*

Brother JOHN A. PERRY.



*Committee on Masonic Homes.*

Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY,  
R. W. Past Grand Master.

- “ DAVID A. SAWDEY,
- “ SPENCER C. GILBERT,
- “ JAMES B. KRAUSE,
- “ JOHN D. GOFF,
- “ DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,
- “ EDWARD W. PATTON.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held September 6th, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, those of the Special Communication held September 25th, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, and of the Special Communication, held October 23d, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, were read and separately approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. O. B. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from H. B. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from W. A. Y. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from C. E. M. a third application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. W. Z. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No. —, requesting the Grand Lodge to remove the suspension of A. S. L. H., who was suspended for un-Masonic conduct by the Grand Lodge June 2, 1909, which request was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

### EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND.

The following report of the Emergency Relief Fund was made, and ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 6, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

This fund is invested in first mortgages on improved real estate in the City of Philadelphia, bearing interest at 5.4

per cent. per annum, and under a declaration of trust. The whole and any part of said principal and interest is held subject to the joint draft of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, and Junior Grand Warden, or the joint draft of any three of the named Officers of this Grand Lodge, to be used as an Emergency Relief Fund "in case of woeful distress occurring in any part of the United States or its Provinces, whereby the Masonic Brethren of the locality may require aid and assistance," as provided by a resolution of this Grand Lodge adopted at the Quarterly Communication, held December 7, 1907.

The Trust consists of: Cash on deposit in the Tradesmen's Trust Company, \$813.07, and Bonds and Mortgages as follows:

No. 1534 South 55th Street	.	.	\$2,200.00	
" 1501 South Allison Street	.	.	2,200.00	
" 2520 South 10th Street	.	.	1,500.00	
" 2518 South 10th Street	.	.	1,500.00	
" 3016 "A" Street	.	.	1,100.00	
" 3026 "A" Street	.	.	1,100.00	
" 2633 Garrett Street	.	.	1,000.00	
" 2603 Reed Street	.	.	1,500.00	
			<u>12,100.00</u>	<u>\$12,100.00</u>

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
*Grand Master,*

WILLIAM L. GORGAS,  
*Deputy Grand Master,*

J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
*Senior Grand Warden,*

LOUIS A. WATRES,  
*Junior Grand Warden.*



## GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, November 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund respectfully report for the fiscal year, ending November 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911 :

1910.

Nov. 15. To balance cash per last  
report :

General Fund . . .	\$999.38	
Singleton Bequest . . .	1,350.00	
	<u>1,350.00</u>	\$2,349.38

Received from the R. W.

Grand Lodge . . .	8,500.00	
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Investments paid off . . .	1,500.00	
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Interest on Investments, first half of year . . .	3,137.00	
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Interest on Investments, sec- ond half of year and Inter- est on Balances . . .	3,240.16	
	<u>3,240.16</u>	<u>\$18,726.54</u>

### CREDITS.

Fidelity Trust Co., rent of box . . .	\$20.00	
Almoners, First Class . . .	2,200.00	
Almoners, Second Class . . .	1,900.00	
Almoners, Third Class . . .	1,800.00	
Almoners, Fourth Class . . .	2,200.00	

## INVESTMENTS.

\$7,000	Masonic Home Loan of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania . . . . .	\$7,000.00	
	Balance :		
	General Fund . . . . .	\$1,756.54	
	Singleton Bequest . . . . .	<u>1,850.00</u>	
		<u>3,606.54</u>	\$18,726.54

All securities are deposited in fire-proof vaults of the Fidelity Trust Co., Philadelphia, and are as per lists attached hereto.

## GENERAL FUND.

Name of Security.	Par.	Cost.
Aurora, Elgin & Chicago, 1st Ref. Mtg. 5 per cent. Gold Bonds . . . . .	\$11,000.00	\$10,472.88
Borough of Avalon, All. Co., Pa. . . . .	5,000.00	4,958.33
Darby, Media & Chester . . . . .	5,000.00	4,963.75
Lehigh Val. Coal Co., 1st Mtg. . . . .	4,000.00	4,313.75
Mahoning & Shenango Ry. & Mt. Co. . . . .	4,000.00	3,960.00
Masonic Home Loan of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Penna. . . . .	7,000.00	7,000.00
Union Traction Co. of Indiana . . . . .	2,000.00	1,997.50
Altoona & Logan R. R. Elec. Ry. 1st 4's . . . . .	10,000.00	9,471.25
Lehigh Valley R. R. Coll. Tr. Gold 4's . . . . .	5,000.00	4,672.92
Phila. & Suburban Gas & Elec. Co. 5's . . . . .	2,000.00	1,865.83
Roanoke Traction & Lt. Co. . . . .	2,000.00	1,885.83
Allegheny Val. R. R. Genl. Mtg. 4's . . . . .	5,000.00	5,023.33
Minneapolis Gas Lt. Co. 1st Gen. Mtg. 5's . . . . .	2,000.00	2,048.10
The American Pipe Mfg. Co. . . . .	4,000.00	3,821.32
American Ry. Coll. Tr. 5's . . . . .	5,000.00	4,745.84
Borough of Oakmont, All. Co., Pa. . . . .	5,000.00	5,008.33
Gas Lt. Co., of Augusta, Ga. . . . .	12,000.00	10,943.33
Phila. & Elec. Gold Trust 5's . . . . .	5,000.00	5,112.50

Name of Security.	Par.	Cost.
Suburban Gas Co., of Philadelphia .	\$5,000.00	\$4,822.92
N. Y. Central Equip. Trust (1935) .	5,000.00	4,889.59
Phila. Co. Consol. Mtg. 5's .	5,000.00	4,925.00
United Rys. Inv. Co. 1st Lien Coll. 5's	2,000.00	1,651.39
	<u>\$112,000.00</u>	<u>\$108,553.69</u>
Cash Balance . . .	1,756.54	1,756.54
	<u>\$113,756.54</u>	<u>\$110,310.23</u>

### THOMAS SINGLETON BEQUEST.

Name of Security.	Par.	Cost.
Lehigh Valley Coal Co., 1st Mtg. 5's	\$3,000.00	\$3,251.25
North Springfield Water Co. . .	500.00	517.36
Union Traction Co. of Indiana . .	3,000.00	2,997.50
United Ry. Gold 4's . . . .	500.00	443.75
United States War Loan (Quarterly)	500.00	500.00
Electric & Peoples 4's . . . .	600.00	604.50
Phila. & Elec. Gold Tr. 5's . .	300.00	300.75
Phila. Co. Consol. 5's . . . .	5,000.00	5,220.00
	<u>\$13,400.00</u>	<u>\$13,835.11</u>
Mortgages in Philadelphia . . .	7,250.00	7,250.00
Ground Rents in Philadelphia . .	4,966.67	4,966.67
	<u>\$25,616.67</u>	<u>\$26,051.78</u>
Cash Balance Singleton Bequest .	1,850.00	1,850.00
	<u>\$27,466.67</u>	<u>\$27,901.78</u>
Add Securities in General Fund .	113,756.54	110,310.23
	<u>\$141,223.21</u>	<u>\$138,212.01</u>

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

STOCKTON BATES,  
JOSEPH W. MURRAY,  
THEO. E. WIEDERSHEIM.



## GIRARD BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Girard Bequest respectfully report that they have received during the fiscal year ending November 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911 :

From Interest and Dividends on Investments . . . . .	\$3,446.30	
From Interest on Deposits of Trustees . . . . .	32.00	\$3,478.30
From Special Appropriation of Grand Lodge . . . . .		3,000.00
		<u>\$6,478.30</u>
To which add balance November 15, 1910, as per report of Committee on Finance . . . . .		670.93
		<u>\$7,149.23</u>
They have paid during the same period :		
Orders for the use of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund . . . . .	\$2,800.00	
Paid for \$1,000 York Railways Co. 5 per cent. Bonds . . . . .	947.50	
Interest on above . . . . .	22.78	
Paid for \$2,500 Masonic Home Loan 4's . . . . .	2,500.00	
Paid for 2 shares of Penna. R. R. Stock . . . . .	105.56	
Paid for 4 shares of Lehigh Coal & Navg. Co. . . . .	204.15	
Paid for rent of safe in Fidelity Trust Company . . . . .	5.00	
		<u>6,584.99</u>
Leaving balance November 15, 1911, on deposit in the Pennsylvania Com- pany for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities, of . . . . .		<u>\$564.24</u>

Their accounts and the securities of the Trust have been examined by the Committee on Finance and found correct.

Since the last report, your Trustees have purchased \$1,000 York Railways Co. 5's at a cost of \$947.50; Two shares of Pennsylvania Railroad Company Stock at a cost of \$105.56; Four shares of Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. stock at a cost of \$204.15; \$2,500 Masonic Home Loan 4's at a cost of \$2,500.

The total amount of the Fund, at the par value of the securities, is \$84,200, as per schedule annexed.

The annual income of the Fund, exclusive of interest on deposits, is about \$3,500.00.

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) be, and the same is, appropriated to the Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund, for the year ending December, 1912, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN L. THOMSON,  
EDWARD PERRY,  
EDWARD B. SPENCER,  
ROBERT W. MONTGOMERY.

TRUSTEES OF THE GIRARD BEQUEST IN ACCOUNT  
WITH THE TRUST.

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1910.		
Nov. 15.	To Balance this date per report of Finance Committee . . . . .	\$670.93
" 30.	To 3 months' dividend Pennsylvania Railroad Co. . . . .	11.25
" 30.	To 3 months' dividend Lehigh Coal & Navigation . . . . .	39.00
Dec. 1.	To 6 months' interest Lehigh & New England Equip. Trust 4½'s . . .	45.00
" 15.	To 6 months' interest Lehigh Coal & Navigation . . . . .	160.00

1910.		
Dec. 30.	To 6 months' dividend Continental Passenger Railway Co. . . . .	\$30.00
1911.		
Jan. 11.	To 6 months' interest City of Philadelphia 4's . . . . .	1,000.00
Feb. 10.	To 6 months' interest Reading Co., etc., G. Mtg. 4's . . . . .	80.00
" 10.	To 3 months' interest Phila. & Reading Terminal 5's . . . . .	12.50
" 24.	To Special Appropriation of Grand Lodge	3,000.00
" 28.	To 3 months' dividend Pennsylvania Railroad Co. . . . .	11.25
" 28.	To 3 months' dividend Lehigh Coal & Navigation . . . . .	39.00
April 1.	To 6 months' interest Electric & Peoples Trac. Co. 4's . . . . .	160.00
May 1.	To 3 months' interest Phila. & Reading Terminal 5's . . . . .	12.50
" 1.	To 6 months' interest Baldwin Locomotive Works 5's . . . . .	75.00
" 13.	To 6 months' interest Wm. McSorley Mortgage . . . . .	32.40
" 30.	To 3 months' dividend Pennsylvania Railroad Co. . . . .	11.25
June 1.	To 6 months' interest Lehigh & New England Equip. 5's . . . . .	45.00
" 1.	To 3 months' dividend Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. . . . .	39.00
" 15.	To 6 months' interest Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. . . . .	160.00
" 27.	To 6 months' interest City of Philadelphia 4's . . . . .	1,000.00
" 27.	To 6 months' interest Reading Co., etc., G. Mtg. 4's . . . . .	80.00
" 30.	To 6 months' dividend Continental Passenger Railway Co. . . . .	30.00



1911.		
Aug. 1.	To 3 months' interest Phila. & Reading Terminal 5's . . . . .	\$12.50
" 31.	To 3 months' dividend Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. . . . .	43.00
" 31.	To 3 months' dividend Pennsylvania Railroad Co. . . . .	12.75
Oct. 2.	To 6 months' interest Electric & Peoples Trac. Co. 4's . . . . .	160.00
Nov. 1.	To 6 months' interest Baldwin Locomotive Works 5's . . . . .	75.00
" 1.	To 3 months' interest Phila. & Reading Term'l 5's . . . . .	12.50
" 7.	To 6 months' interest Wm. McSorley Mortgage . . . . .	32.40
" 8.	To Interest on balances Penna. Co., etc. . . . .	10.01
		<u>\$7,149.23</u>

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1911.		
Jan. 13.	By Cash Order 121, W. B. HACKENBURG, Grand Treas. . . . .	\$800.00
Feb. 9.	By Cash paid Fidelity Trust Co. rent of box . . . . .	5.00
April 7.	By Cash Order 122, W. B. HACKENBURG, Grand Treas. . . . .	600.00
May 13.	By Cash paid Brown Bros. & Co. for \$1,000 York Railways 5's @ $94\frac{3}{4}$ . . . . .	947.50
	5 months and 11 days' interest . . . . .	22.78
" 15.	By Cash paid W. B. HACKENBURG, Grand Treas., for \$2,500 Masonic Home Loan of the Grand Lodge of F. & A. M. of Penna. . . . .	2,500.00

1911.

May 18.	By Cash paid Brown Bros. & Co. for $\frac{5}{10}$ Penna. R. R. Co. Warrant @ 10 $\frac{5}{8}$ . . . . .	\$5.31	
	Commission . . . . .	.25	
" 18.	By Cash paid Brown Bros. & Co. for $\frac{1}{10}$ Lehigh Coal & Nav. Warrant @ 39 . . . . .	3.90	
	Commission . . . . .	.25	
" 25.	By Cash Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. sub- scription to 4 shares of stock @ \$50 . . . . .	200.00	
" 29.	By Cash Pennsylvania Rail- road Co. subscription to 2 shares of stock @ \$50 . . . . .	100.00	
June 28.	By Cash Order 123, W. B. HACKENBURG, Grand Treas. . . . .	600.00	
Sept. 19.	By Cash Order 124, W. B. HACKENBURG, Grand Treas. . . . .	800.00	
		<u>800.00</u>	\$6,584.99
	Balance . . . . .		<u>\$564.24</u>

## TRUSTEES OF GIRARD BEQUEST.

## SCHEDULE OF SECURITIES.

*November 15, 1911.*

Par.	Description.	Interest Due.	Cost.
\$50,000	City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. 30 Year Loan, due 1937 . . . . .	Jan.—July 1	\$50,426.66
8,000	Lehigh Coal & Navi- gation Co. Gold Loan 4's . . . . .	June—Dec. 12	7,940.00

Par.	Description.	Interest Due.	Cost.
\$8,000	Electric & Peoples Traction Co. Stock Tr. Certs. 4's . . . .	Apl.—Oct. 1	\$7,663.25
4,000	Reading Company Gen'l Mtg. 4's, due 1997 . . . . .	Jan.—July 1	3,872.50
2,500	Masonic Home Loan 4 per cent. Grand Lodge F. & A. M. Pennsyl- vania, Series "A" . . . .	Jan.—July 1	2,500.00
2,000	Lehigh & New Eng- land R. R. Co. Equip. Tr. 4½'s, 1923 . . . .	June—Dec. 1	1,870.20
3,000	Baldwin Locomotive Works 1st Mtg. S. F. 5's . . . . .	May—Nov. 1	2,985.00
1,000	Philadelphia & Read- ing Terminal 5's, due 1941 . . . . .	Feb.—May Aug.—Nov. 1 } 1	1,027.50
1,000	York Railways Com- pany 1st Mtg. G. B. . . .	June—Dec. 1	947.50
1,200	Mortgage on Premises, 5463 Spring Street . . .	May—Nov. 1	1,200.00
2,150	43 shares Lehigh Coal & Navigation Stock . . .	May—Nov. 30	2,051.19
500	10 shares Continental Passenger Rwy. Stock . .	Jan.—July 1	1,030.00
850	17 shares Penna. Rail- road Co. Stock . . . .	May—Nov. 30	936.94
<u>\$84,200</u>			<u>\$84,450.74</u>

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR  
ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 1911.

12 months' interest on \$50,000 City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. Loan . . . . .	\$2,000.00
12 months' interest on \$8,000 Lehigh Coal & Nav. Gold Loan 4's . . . . .	320.00



12 months' interest on \$8,000 Electric & Peoples Trac. Co. Stock Cert. 4's . . . . .	\$320.00
12 months' interest on \$4,000 Reading Company General Mortgage 4's, 1997 . . . . .	160.00
12 months' interest on \$2,000 Lehigh & New England R. R. Co. Equip. Tr. 4½'s . . . . .	90.00
12 months' interest on \$1,000 Phila. & Reading Term'l 5's 1941 . . . . .	50.00
12 months' interest on \$3,000 Baldwin Locomotive Works 1st Mtg. S. F. 5's . . . . .	150.00
12 months' interest on \$1,200 Mortgage on premises 5453 Spring Street, 5 $\frac{4}{10}$ per cent. . . . .	64.80
6 months' interest on \$1,000 York Railways Co. 1st Mtg. G. B. 5's . . . . .	25.00
12 months' dividend on Lehigh Coal & Nav. Co. stock . . . . .	160.00
12 months' dividend on Pennsylvania Railroad Company stock . . . . .	46.50
12 months' dividend on Continental Passenger Railway Co. stock . . . . .	60.00
Interest on Balances on deposit in Penna. Co. for Ins. on Lives, etc. . . . .	32.00
Special Appropriation from Grand Lodge . . . . .	3,000.00
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	\$6,478.30
Cash Balance November 15, 1910 . . . . .	670.93
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	\$7,149.23

### THOMAS R. PATTON MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, when, on motion, the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund (which was founded by the late Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, in memory of his be-

loved wife, ELLEN H. GRAHAM PATTON), respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911 :

#### INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1910.			
Nov. 15.	To balance as per report	.	\$258.44
1911.			
	To Interest received during the year,		
	Bonds and Mortgages	.	297.50
	To Interest, etc., other securities	.	4,627.00
			<u>\$5,182.94</u>

#### PAYMENTS.

1911.			
	By 1 year's appropriation for use of Bur-		
	sars, paid to W. B. HACKENBURG,		
	R. W. G. T.	.	\$3,500.00
	By 1 year's rent of safe, the Philadelphia		
	Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Co.		15.00
	By Accrued Interest on \$1,200 City of		
	Philadelphia 4 per cent. loan bought		
	October 20, 1911	.	14.53
	By Transferred from Income Account to		
	Capital Account for investment	.	1,300.00
	By Balance on deposit with the Philadel-		
	phia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance		
	Company	.	353.41
			<u>\$5,182.94</u>

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

The securities of the Fund at the close of the fiscal			
year, November 15, 1910, consisted of securities			
and mortgages of the par value of \$114,800,			
which cost	.	\$116,185.13	
Uninvested cash balance	.	47.20	
Amount transferred from Income Account to			
Capital Account for investment	.	1,300.00	
			<u>\$117,532.33</u>

## THE SECURITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS :

Par.		Interest Payable.	Cost.
\$10,000	Lehigh Valley Railway 4½'s . . . .	Jan. and July 1	\$10,636.25
1,000	Paterson & Passaic G. & E. L. 5's .	Mar. and Sept. 1	1,025.83
5,000	Philadelphia & Erie R. R. 4's . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	5,037.50
1,000	Philadelphia & Read- ing Ex. 5's . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	1,025.00
5,000	Atlantic City Railway 5's . . . .	May and Nov. 1	5,387.50
5,000	Citizens' St. R. R., In- dianapolis, 5's .	May and Nov. 1	5,212.50
7,000	Phila. Electric Gold Trust 5's . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	6,967.50
5,500	Bond and Mortgage, on 1714 Columbia Ave., at 4½ per cent.	Mar. and Sept. 17	5,500.00
1,000	Bond and Mortgage, on 243-245 Monroe Street, at 5 per cent.	Feb. and Aug. 28	1,000.00
10,000	Electric & Peoples Traction 4's . . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	10,000.00
10,000	New York Gas & Elec- tric Light, Heat & Power Co. 4's . .	Feb. and Aug. 1	10,000.00
10,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. First Mtge. 4's .	Apr. and Oct. 1	10,000.00
2,000	Wyoming Valley Coal Company 6's . . . .	Jan. and July 1	2,000.00
500	Citizens Street Rail- way, Muncie, 6's .	June and Dec. 1	500.00
4,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. P. L. 3½'s . . .	Jan. and July 1	3,735.00
11,000	Schuylkill River East Side 4's . . . .	June and Dec. 1	10,725.00



Par.	Interest Payable.	Cost.
\$6,000 Northern Pacific R. R.		
P. L. 4's . . .	Jan. (Quarterly)	\$6,247.50
5,000 Phila. & Reading		
Imp. 4's . . .	Apr. and Oct. 1	5,222.50
3,000 Southern Railway		
Equipment Trust		
4½'s . . . . .	May and Nov. 1	2,983.12
2,000 Lehigh Valley Car		
Trust 4½'s . . .	Mar. and Sept. 1	1,858.80
2,000 Lehigh Coal & Navi-		
gation Refunding 4's	Jan. and July 1	2,010.00
10,000 City of Philadelphia 4		
per cent. Loan . .	Jan. and July 1	10,327.63
Cash (for investment) on deposit with The		
Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and		
Insurance Company . . . . .		130.70
<hr/> \$116,000 <hr/>		<hr/> \$117,532.33 <hr/>

The Trustees recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is, hereby appropriated to the Bursars of the THOMAS R. PATTON Memorial Charity Fund for the year ending St. John the Evangelist's Day, December 27, 1912, to be drawn for in the usual manner.

Fraternally submitted,

PETER BOYD,  
JAMES M. LAMBERTON,  
EDMUND D. SCHOLEY,  
THOMAS R. PATTON,  
JOHN J. R. CRAVEN,

*Trustees.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

## THOMAS RANKEN PATTON MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

The Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

### BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys beg to report as follows for period from November 15, 1910, to November 15, 1911.

#### CASH ACCOUNT.

1910.		Principal.	Income.
Nov. 15.	Balance . . . . .	\$1,134.19	
" 15.	Interest, Borough of Wilkinsburg, Pa. . . . .		\$212.50
" 28.	Six months' rent St. Louis Terminal Asso. . . . .		7,462.47
Dec. 3.	Interest, Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co. . . . .		300.00
" 3.	Interest, Citizens St. Ry. Co.		60.00
1911.			
Jan. 3.	Interest, United Railways Gold Tr. Ctfs. . . . .		1,640.00
" 3.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		400.00
" 3.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		300.00
" 3.	Interest, City of Philadelphia		340.00
" 3.	Interest, Borough of Prospect Park, Pa. . . . .		157.50
" 3.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co. . . . .		12.50
" 3.	Dividend, Reading Traction Co. . . . .		750.00
" 3.	Dividend, Susquehanna Tr. & S. D. Co. . . . .		150.00

1911.		Principal.	Income.
Jan.	3.	Dividend, 13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co. . . . .	\$600.00
"	3.	Interest, Consumers Brewing Co. . . . .	230.00
"	3.	Interest, du Pont Int. Pow- der Co. . . . .	125.00
"	3.	Interest, Equitable Ill. Gas Light Co. . . . .	75.00
"	3.	Interest, Tonopah & Gold Field Ry. Co. . . . .	150.00
"	3.	Six mos. rent St. Louis Ter- minal Asso. . . . .	416.99
"	10.	Interest, Trenton Potteries Co. Funding Ctfs. . . . .	400.00
"	25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co. . . . .	200.00
Feb.	1.	Interest, Pittsburg, Cin. Chi. & St. L. Ry. Co. . . . .	105.00
"	1.	Dividend, Penn Traffic Co.	26.70
"	15.	Six months' int. mortgage, Adam A. Catanach . . . . .	500.00
Mch.	1.	Interest, City of Harrisburg, Pa. . . . .	260.00
"	7.	Interest, Interstate Rlys. Co.	2,400.00
"	17.	1625-27 Waverly Ave., Cin- cinnati, O., sold . . . . .	\$3,000.00
Apr.	3.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co. . . . .	100.00
"	3.	Interest, Suburban Gas Co.	500.00
"	3.	Interest, Borough of West Washington, Pa. . . . .	22.50
"	3.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Pow- der Co. . . . .	12.50
"	25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co. . . . .	200.00
"	29.	Interest, Webster Coal & Coke Co. . . . .	1,000.00



1911.		Principal.	Income.
May	1. Dividend, Phila. & West Chester Traction Co. . . . .		\$125.00
"	1. Dividend, West End Trust		100.00
"	19. Interest, Borough of Wilkinsburg, Pa. . . . .		212.50
"	25. Six months' rent St. Louis Terminal Asso. . . . .		7,462.47
June	2. Interest, Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co. . . . .		300.00
"	2. Interest, Citizens' St. Ry. Co.		60.00
"	21. Refund, New Jersey Col. Inheritance Tax . . . . .		2,332.36
July	1. Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co. . . . .		12.50
"	1. Dividend, Reading Traction Co. . . . .		750.00
"	1. Dividend, Susquehanna Tr. & S. D. Co. . . . .		175.00
"	1. Dividend, 13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co. . . . .		600.00
"	5. Interest, United Railways Gold Tr. Ctfs. . . . .		1,640.00
"	5. Interest, City of Philadelphia		1,040.00
"	5. Six months' rent St. Louis Terminal Asso. . . . .		416.99
"	5. Dividend, Consumers Brewing Co. . . . .		230.00
"	5. Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co. . . . .		125.00
"	5. Dividend, Equitable Gas Light Co. . . . .		75.00
"	5. Dividend, Tonopah & Gold Field R. R. Co. . . . .		150.00
"	8. Interest, Borough of Prospect Park, Pa. . . . .		157.50
"	10. Interest, Trenton Potteries Co. Fdg. Ctfs. . . . .		400.00

1911.		Principal.	Income.
July 25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co. . . . .		\$200.00
Aug. 1.	Interest, Interstate Railways Co. . . . .		800.00
" 1.	Interest, Pittsburg, Cin. Chi. & St. L. Ry. Co. . . . .		105.00
" 1.	Interest, City of Allegheny, Pa. . . . .		52.50
" 1.	Dividend, Penn Traffic Co. . . . .		26.70
" 16.	Six months' int. mortgage Adam A. Catanach . . . .		500.00
" 31.	Interest, Webster Coal and Coke Co. . . . .		1,000.00
" 31.	Interest, City of Harrisburg, Pa. . . . .		380.00
Oct. 4.	Interest, Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co.. . . . .		100.00
" 4.	Interest, Suburban Gas Co. . . . .		500.00
" 4.	Interest, Borough of West Washington, Pa. . . . .		22.50
" 4.	Dividend, du Pont Int. Powder Co. . . . .		12.50
" 4.	Dividend, Susquehanna Tr. & S. D. Co. . . . .		87.50
" 4.	Interest, Lake Superior Corp. . . . .		50.00
" 25.	Dividend, Trenton Potteries Co. . . . .		200.00
Nov. 1.	Interest, Phila. & West Chester Traction Co. . . .		125.00
" 1.	Interest Lake Superior Corp. . . . .		50.00
" 1.	Dividend, West End Trust . . . . .		100.00
" 15.	Interest, Borough of Wilkinsburg, Pa. . . . .		212.50
Net Income Rents Phila. Properties . . . . .			4,304.16
Net Income Rents Cincinnati Properties . . . . .			767.29
Interest on Deposits to May 1, 1911, at Tradesmen's Trust Company . . . .			41.75
		<u>\$4,134.19</u>	<u>\$45,110.38</u>

## CREDITS.

	Commissions	Rent	Collec- tions	Principal.	Expense.
					\$317.25
1910.					
Nov. 30.	Samuel W. Wray, November salary				25.00
Dec. 8.	School and County taxes, E. Lansdale Property				10.77
" 13.	State, School and City taxes for 1910 on large amount of unimproved R. E., St. Louis				2,034.19
" 27.	Samuel W. Wray, December salary				25.00
" 31.	\$7,000 City of Harrisburg, Pa., 4 per cent.			\$7,093.33	
1911.					
Jan. 28.	Samuel W. Wray, January salary				25.00
" 28.	\$6,000 City of Harrisburg, Pa., 4 per cent.			6,100.00	
Feb. 1.	Care of cemetery lot to Dec. 31, 1910				10.00
" 11.	Taxes for 1911 on Phila. Properties				855.57
" 24.	Samuel W. Wray, February salary				25.00
Mch. 17.	Atty.'s fee, deed and Commission, sale of property 1625-27 Waverly Ave., Cin., O.				70.00
" 31.	Samuel W. Wray, March salary				25.00
Apr. 3.	\$3,000 City of Allegheny, Pa., 3½ per cent.			2,800.58	
" 20.	Assigning 3 perpetual policies of ins. to Trustees				1.50



1911.

		Principal.	Expense.
Apr. 25.	Samuel W. Wray, April salary . . . . .		\$25.00
May 3.	\$6,000 City of Harrisburg, Pa., 4 per cent. . . . .	\$6,042.66	
" 17.	Road tax on E. Lansdale Property . . . . .		9.67
" 17.	Water Rent for 1911 on Phila. Properties . . . . .		104.00
" 31.	Samuel W. Wray, May salary . . . . .		25.00
June 14.	County tax for 1911 on E. Lansdale Property . . . . .		5.55
July 5.	Rent Safe Deposit Box, Tradesmen's Tr. Co. . . . .		17.50
" 5.	Samuel W. Wray, June salary . . . . .		25.00
" 21.	School tax for 1911, E. Lansdale Property . . . . .		4.63
" 27.	Samuel W. Wray, July salary . . . . .		25.00
Aug. 1.	\$18,000 Grand Lodge Masonic Home Loan . . . . .	18,000.00	
" 25.	Samuel W. Wray, August salary . . . . .		25.00
Oct. 18.	Rent Safe Deposit Box Phila. Tr. S. D. Co. . . . .		20.00
" 18.	Samuel W. Wray, September salary . . . . .		25.00
Nov. 3.	Samuel W. Wray, October salary . . . . .		25.00
		<u>\$40,036.57</u>	<u>\$3,760.63</u>

## RECAPITULATION.

Principal—Receipts . . . . .	\$3,000.00	
Income—Receipts . . . . .	45,110.38	
To which add balance of November 15, 1910 . . . . .	<u>1,134.19</u>	\$49,244.57

Investments . . . . .	\$40,036.57	
Expense . . . . .	3,760.63	
To which add balance of November 15, 1911 :		
In Tradesmen's Trust Co. . . . .	\$2,756.15	
In Phila. Tr. S. D. & Ins. Co. . . . .	<u>2,691.22</u>	
	<u>5,447.37</u>	<u>\$49,244.57</u>

## SECURITIES—SCHEDULE No. 1.

	Par Value.	Cost.
Broadway & 7th Ave. Ry. Co. 1st Cons.		
5 per cent. . . . .	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Citizens' St. Ry. Co. of Muncie, Ind.,		
1st, 5 per cent. . . . .	2,000.00	2,100.00
Consumers' Brewing Co. Gen'l 4 per		
cent. . . . .	11,500.00	4,600.00
du Pont Int. Powder Co. Collat. Trust		
5 per cent. . . . .	5,000.00	3,750.00
Equitable Ill. Gas Light Co. of Phila.		
5 per cent. . . . .	3,000.00	3,180.00
Interstate Railways Co. . . . .	40,000.00	25,000.00
Lake Superior Corp. Income 5 per cent.	1,000.00	500.00
Phila. & West Chester Traction Co.		
Stock Trust Ctf. 5 per cent. . . . .	5,000.00	5,850.00
Pittsburg, Cin., Chic. & St. L. Ry. Co.	6,000.00	5,100.00
Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co. 1st 4 per cent.	5,000.00	4,000.00
Suburban Gas Co. of Phila. 1st 5 per cent.	20,000.00	20,000.00
Tonopah & Gold Field R. R. Co. 1st		
6 per cent. . . . .	5,000.00	5,000.00
Trenton Potteries Co. Funding Ctfs.		
4 per cent. . . . .	20,000.00	13,000.00
United Rys. Gold Trust Ctfs. 4 per cent.	82,000.00	65,600.00
Webster Coal & Coke Co. 1st Cons. 5		
per cent. . . . .	40,000.00	40,000.00
City of Philadelphia 4 per cent., due		
1938 . . . . .	20,000.00	20,675.00

	Par Value.	Cost.
City of Philadelphia 4 per cent., due 1939 . . . . .	\$15,000.00	\$15,506.25
Borough of Wilkinsburg, Pa. School Dist. $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. . . . .	10,000.00	10,175.00
City of Philadelphia 4 per cent., due 1940 . . . . .	17,000.00	17,000.00
Borough of Prospect Park, Pa., Gen'l Impt. $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. . . . .	7,000.00	7,168.00
Borough of West Washington, Pa., Street Impt. $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. . . . .	1,000.00	1,000.00
City of Harrisburg, Pa. 4 per cent. Public Impt. due 1915 . . . . .	19,000.00	19,000.00
City of Allegheny, Pa. 3rd Ward Schl. $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., due 1928 . . . . .	3,000.00	2,782.50
Grand Lodge of Pa. Masonic Home Loan	18,000.00	18,000.00
Bond & Mortgage, Adam A. Catanach	20,000.00	20,000.00
	Shares.	
du Pont Int. Powder Co. . . . .	10 Pfd.	750.00
Huntingdon & Broad Top Mtn. R. R. & Coal Co. . . . .	90 Pfd.	5,400.00
Huntingdon & Broad Top Mtn. R. R. & Coal Co. . . . .	600 Com.	12,000.00
National Smelting Co. . . . .	2,250	2,500.00
Penna. Casualty Co., of Scranton, Pa.	18	1,170.00
Phila. Mortgage & Trust Co. . . . .	5	150.00
Phila. Rapid Transit Co. . . . .	50	1,700.00
Penn Traffic Co. . . . .	534	1,335.00
Reading Traction Co. . . . .	1,000	30,000.00
Susquehanna T. & S. D. Co., of Williamsport, Pa. . . . .	100	12,500.00
13th & 15th Sts. Pass. Ry. Co. . . . .	100	30,000.00
Trenton Potteries Co. . . . .	200 Pfd.	14,000.00
West End Trust Co. . . . .	50	6,500.00
		<u>\$458,991.75</u>



## REAL ESTATE—SCHEDULE NO. 2.

Nos. 1601–1605 Harrison Ave. and No. 1600 Queen City Ave., Cincinnati, O. . . . .	\$7,000.00
Nos. 331 So. 13th Street and 322 So. Iseminger St., Phila. . . . .	7,500.00
No. 1228 Locust Street, Phila. . . . .	9,000.00
No. 227 So. 13th Street, Phila. . . . .	32,000.00
Nos. 401–407 So. 13th Street, Phila. . . . .	20,000.00
Lot Montgomery Township, adjoining Lansdale, Pa. . . . .	1,400.00
Lot Montgomery Township, adjoining Lansdale, Pa. . . . .	1,400.00
Lot Montgomery Township, adjoining Lansdale, Pa. . . . .	900.00
Lease of Lots St. Louis, Mo. . . . .	16,600.00
Lease of Lots St. Louis, Mo. . . . .	300,000.00
	<u>\$395,800.00</u>

## RECAPITULATION.

Cash : Tradesmen's Trust Co. . . . .	\$2,756.15
Phila. T. S. D. & Ins. Co. . . . .	2,691.22
	<u>\$5,447.37</u>
Safe . . . . .	152.50
Securities, Schedule No. 1 . . . . .	458,991.75
Real Estate, Schedule No. 2 . . . . .	395,800.00
	<u>\$860,391.62</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$860,391.62</u>

In addition to the assets above mentioned, the Trustees also hold sixty (60) lots of ground in the City of St. Louis, Mo., no appraisement of which has yet been made. They adjoin or are in close proximity to the lots leased, appearing in Schedule No. 2.

No changes have taken place in securities previously reported as of no value.

The Trustees invest from time to time the income, adding it to the principal.

## TRIAL BALANCE.

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Cash : Tradesmen's Trust Co.	.	\$2,756.15	
Phila. T. S. D. & Ins. Co.	.	2,691.22	
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		\$5,447.37	
Investments	. . . . .	458,991.75	
Safe	. . . . .	152.50	
Real Estate	. . . . .	395,800.00	
Corpus	. . . . .		\$860,391.62
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		\$860,391.62	\$860,391.62
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Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

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 J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
 LOUIS A. WATRES,  
 GEORGE B. ORLADY,  
 DAVID A. SAWDEY,  
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 JAMES B. KRAUSE,  
 JOHN D. GOFF,  
 DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,  
 EDWARD W. PATTON,  
 GEORGE S. GRAHAM,  
 ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,  
 PETER BOYD,  
 THOMAS R. PATTON,

*Trustees.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

## STEPHEN TAYLOR BEQUEST.

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

## BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest submit the following report of its receipts and investments for the year ending November 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

1911.

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Nov. 15. To cash received interest on		
mortgages . . . . .	\$931.99	
To cash received interest on		
deposits . . . . .	12.38	
To which add balance per last		
report . . . . .	<u>932.72</u>	\$1,877.09

CR.

Jan. 20. By cash paid Philadelphia Co. for Guar-		
anteeing Mortgages, for B/M on premises		
2415 So. Marshall St., Phila. at 4.9 per		
cent. interest, principal and interest		
guaranteed . . . . .	1,000.00	
Balance in Trust Co. . . . .	<u>\$877.09</u>	

The investments are as follows :

Par Value.	Cost.
\$4,000.00 on premises 513 So. 45th St., Phila. .	\$4,054.45
3,500.00 on premises 1101 N. 42d St., Phila. .	3,535.00
2,500.00 on premises 628 So. 52d St., Phila. .	2,500.00
2,200.00 on premises 5212 Fitzwater St., Phila. .	2,200.00
2,000.00 on premises 5561 Pearl St., Phila. .	2,000.00
2,000.00 on premises 1030 Vine St., Phila. .	2,000.00
1,200.00 on premises 5618 Walton Ave., Phila. .	1,200.00
1,000.00 on premises 2415 So. Marshall St., Phila. .	1,000.00
<u>\$18,400.00</u>	<u>\$18,489.45</u>

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.,  
SAMUEL W. WRAY,  
HENRY W. SMITH,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
SAMUEL B. WILLS,

*Trustees*



## CHARLES JACKSON McCLARY MEMORIAL FUNDS.

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds made the following report, when on motion it was

*Resolved*, That the Trustees be authorized to invest in Masonic Home Loan.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds respectfully report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, as follows :

### MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR MASONIC HOME.

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

There has been no change in the principal account since the report for the fiscal year ending with the 15th day of November, A.D. 1910, A.L. 5910.

#### INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1910.

Nov.	15.	To balance as per last report . . .	\$5.00
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1911.

Jan.	3.	To six months' interest on City of Philadelphia loan . . . .	350.00
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Mar.	1.	To interest on deposits . . . .	1.07
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July	1.	To six months' interest on City of Philadelphia loan . . . .	350.00
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Sept.	30.	To interest on deposits . . . .	2.21
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## PAYMENTS.

1911.

June 19.	By Masonic Home of Penna., on account of income . . . . .	\$350.00
July 5.	By Masonic Home of Penna., on account of income . . . . .	350.00
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		\$700.00
	Balance on deposit in The Pennsyl- vania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities . . . . .	8.28
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		<u>\$708.28</u>

## INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for the Ma- sonic Home at the close of the fiscal year, Novem- ber 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, consist of \$20,000 City of Philadelphia 3½'s loan of 1934, which cost . . . . .	\$20,475.00
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## MEMORIAL FUND IN TRUST FOR ORPHAN CHILDREN.

## PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1910.

Nov. 15.	To balance as per last report . . . . .	\$96.30
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1911.

Nov. 15.	To amount transferred from income account from November 15, 1910, to November 15, 1911 . . . . .	1,330.02
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		<u>\$1,426.32</u>

## INCOME ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.

1911.

Jan. 3.	To six months' interest on \$37,600 City of Philadelphia 3½'s . . . . .	\$658.00
Mch. 15.	To interest on deposits . . . . .	4.40
July 1.	To six months' interest on \$37,600 City of Philadelphia 3½'s . . . . .	658.00
Sept. 1.	To interest on deposits . . . . .	9.62
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		<u>\$1,330.02</u>

## INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL.

The securities of the Memorial Fund for Orphan Children at the close of the fiscal year, November 15, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, consist of the following:

Par.		Cost.
\$32,100.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1934	\$32,779.95
1,000.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1923	1,011.25
500.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1914	505.00
2,800.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1931	2,748.50
1,200.00	City of Philadelphia 3½ loan, 1932	1,165.00
1,426.32	Cash on deposit in The Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities .	1,426.32
<u>\$39,026.32</u>		<u>\$39,636.02</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted, with the request that authority be given for the investment of the cash on hand.

Fraternally yours,

LOUIS WAGNER,  
Chairman,  
EDWIN S. STUART,  
WALTER B. SMITH,  
Trustees.

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

## COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The Committee on Finance respectfully reports that it has examined the accounts and securities of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the General Fund of \$2,256.54, and of the Singleton Bequest of \$1,350.00;

Trustees of the Girard Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$564.24;



Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, showing a balance on hand of the Principal Account of \$130.70 and of the Income Account of \$353.41 ;

Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest, showing a balance on hand of \$877.09 ;

Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds, showing a balance on hand of the Masonic Home Bequest of \$8.28, and of the Bequest for the benefit of Orphan Children of \$1,426.32 ;

Trustees of the Maxwell Sommerville Bequests, showing a balance on hand of the Income Account of the Art Fund of \$1,085.77, and of the Income Account of the Banquet Fund of \$187.14 ;

Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys, showing a balance on hand of \$5,447.37 ;

The Emergency Relief Fund, showing a balance on hand of \$813.07, and the invested Principal \$12,100.00 ;

The accounts and vouchers of the Superintendent of the Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge, showing a balance on hand of \$100.42.

The transactions of these Trusts and Committees are fully set forth in their respective reports to the Grand Lodge.

The Committee has also examined the books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer, and of the Grand Secretary, including the Ledger of the latter, which has been compared with the Balance Sheet submitted by him, and found to agree.

The books of the Grand Secretary, for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1911, show as follows :

RECEIPTS.							
Piano rent	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,170.00
Rent	.	.	.	.	.	.	49,117.00
Ten per cents.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7.50
Initiations	.	.	.	.	.	.	11,796.00
Dues	.	.	.	.	.	.	94,605.03
Dispensations, District Deputy Grand Masters	.	.	.	.	.	.	25,170.00
Dispensations, Grand Secretary	.	.	.	.	.	.	850.00
Ahiman Rezons	.	.	.	.	.	.	481.00
Grand Lodge Certificates	.	.	.	.	.	.	898.00

Mileage, not used, returned by Grand Treasurer .	\$1,177.65
Interest on Deposits . . . . .	930.45
Library Charity Fund . . . . .	519.00
Sale of Oil Painting, purchased by Library .	75.00
Masonic Homes Fund for orchard, Lodge No. 300	500.00
Masonic Homes Fund . . . . .	1,005.00
Lancaster County Freemasons donation to Ma- sonic Homes Fund for Memorial . . . .	9,816.00
Old fixtures, Committee on Temple . . . .	19.43
Masonic Home Loan . . . . .	135,400.00
Farm Leases . . . . .	3,240.44
Committee on Temple . . . . .	806.05
Committee on Library . . . . .	1,581.77
Warrants for new Lodges . . . . .	400.00
Blair County Lodges Memorial Building Fund .	5,802.00
Total receipts . . . . .	<u>\$346,367.32</u>
All of which has been paid to Grand Treasurer, and his receipt taken therefor.	
To which add cash on hand November 15, 1910	13,870.10
Making a total of . . . . .	<u><u>\$360,237.42</u></u>

#### PAYMENTS.

By Grand Treasurer, on orders of Grand Master :

Salaries . . . . .	\$17,099.98
Expenses Grand Master . . . . .	3,350.00
Expenses Grand Lodge . . . . .	6,013.17
Expenses District Deputy Grand Masters .	4,171.68
Committee on Temple . . . . .	35,000.00
Committee on Library . . . . .	10,250.50
Committee on Correspondence . . . . .	500.00
Committee on Masonic Homes . . . . .	2,062.20
Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge . . . . .	220,882.04
Mileage . . . . .	4,600.00
Lodge No. 269, excess dues returned . . .	591.00
Third National Bank, Payment of Loan .	5,000.00
Girard Bequest . . . . .	3,000.00
Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	5,000.00
Almoners Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . .	3,500.00

Ahiman Rezens . . . . .	\$285.41
125th Anniversary of Grand Lodge . .	4,810.44
Emergency Relief Fund . . . . .	500.00
Masonic Home of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia	2,500.00
Total payments . . . . .	<u>\$329,116.42</u>
Leaving a cash balance on hand, November 15, 1911 . . . . .	31,121.00
Making a total of . . . . .	<u><u>\$360,237.42</u></u>

We present the following estimate of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1912:

#### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Rents . . . . .	\$45,000.00
Initiations . . . . .	10,000.00
Dues . . . . .	90,000.00
Dispensations . . . . .	20,000.00
Total estimated receipts . . . . .	<u>\$165,000.00</u>
To which add cash on hand November 15, 1911	31,121.00
Making a total of . . . . .	<u><u>\$196,121.00</u></u>

#### ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

Expenses Grand Master . . . . .	\$5,000.00
Expenses Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters . . . . .	4,000.00
Mileage to Representatives in the Grand Lodge .	5,000.00
Expenses Grand Lodge . . . . .	6,500.00
Salaries: Grand Treasurer and Clerk, Grand Secretary, Clerks to Grand Secretary, Clerk to Committee on Finance, Secretary of Grand Master, Grand Tyler for all services as Grand Tyler, Instructor in Masonic Work, Contingencies subject to order of Committee on Finance . . . . .	16,850.00
Committee on Temple:	
Salaries and Wages . . . . .	\$17,885.00
Window Cleaning . . . . .	360.00
Laundry . . . . .	150.00
Hauling Ashes . . . . .	300.00



Electric Lighting . . .	\$8,000.00
Coal . . . . .	1,800.00
Ice . . . . .	250.00
Telephone . . . . .	600.00
Furniture Repairs . . .	2,500.00
Machinery Repairs . . .	1,200.00
Building Repairs . . .	3,000.00
Electric Work . . . . .	800.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	550.00
Petty Cash . . . . .	100.00
Water Rent . . . . .	400.00
Insurance . . . . .	8,400.00
Painting Portraits of Grand Masters and Framing Portraits	1,500.00
Cabinets for Library . . .	400.00

\$48,195.00

#### Committee on Library :

##### Salaries :

Librarian . . . . .	\$2,400.00
Assistant . . . . .	1,200.00
Helper . . . . .	600.00
Watchman . . . . .	432.00
Emergency Help . . . . .	168.00
	<u>\$4,800.00</u>
Publications . . . . .	1,500.00
Periodicals . . . . .	125.00
Binding Periodicals . . .	100.00
Binding Books . . . . .	300.00
Books . . . . .	400.00
Antiquities . . . . .	1,500.00
Cataloguing . . . . .	600.00
Stationery and Printing . .	100.00
Telephone . . . . .	100.00
Postage . . . . .	100.00
Expressage . . . . .	50.00
Petty Cash . . . . .	100.00

9,775.00

Committee on Correspondence . . . . .	500.00
Committee on Masonic Homes . . . . .	2,000.00
Painting and Framing Portrait of Past Grand Master, Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE	1,000.00

Trustees of Girard Bequest . . . . .	\$3,000.00
Trustees of Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	5,000.00
Almoners of Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	3,500.00
Transient Relief . . . . .	100.00
Total estimated expenditures . . . . .	<u>\$110,420.00</u>
Leaving an estimated balance November 15, 1912 . . . . .	85,701.00
Making a total of . . . . .	<u><u>\$196,121.00</u></u>

The Committee offers the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the balance for the fiscal year ending November 15, 1912, whatever the same may be, is hereby appropriated to the Committee on Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge, to be appropriated in payment of bills for work at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania ; payments to be made by the Grand Treasurer, on orders drawn by the Grand Master, on bills approved by the Committee, provided, however, that the Grand Master may authorize the payment of a sum each month to the Committee, to meet current expenses at the Masonic Homes, such moneys to be disbursed by the Committee.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to draw orders on the Grand Treasurer for the several appropriations for the year 1912, as are herein specified.

The Grand Secretary has furnished the Committee with a Balance Sheet of Grand Lodge, as of November 15, 1911, and also one after the closing entries of the year have been made, which is appended hereto and made part of this report.

Balance Sheet, November 15, 1911, after closing entries for the fiscal year ending this day have been made :

#### DEBITS.

Due by Lodges for dues and rent . . . . .	\$8,843.08
Due by Chapters, and other bodies for rent . . . . .	1,811.17
Cash . . . . .	31,121.00
Real Estate . . . . .	1,696,376.95
Improvement of Temple . . . . .	486,858.14

Trustees Thomas R. Patton Masonic Institution for Boys . . . . .	\$824,530.94
Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	108,561.61
Girard Bequest . . . . .	84,380.29
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund . . . . .	116,232.33
Thomas Singleton Bequest . . . . .	27,893.24
Stephen Taylor Bequest . . . . .	18,422.17
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds Be- quest Number 1 . . . . .	20,475.00
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds Be- quest Number 2 . . . . .	38,306.00
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Art Fund . . . . .	10,000.00
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Banquet Fund . . . . .	5,000.00
Emergency Relief Fund . . . . .	13,238.05
Thomas R. Patton Masonic Institution for Boys . . . . .	1,278.47
Masonic Homes of Grand Lodge . . . . .	389,771.67
Anniversary of Grand Lodge (125th) . . . . .	4,810.44
	<u>\$3,887,910.55</u>

## CREDITS.

Due to Lodges (excess payment of dues) . . . . .	\$427.27
Old Fixtures . . . . .	897.46
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania . . . . .	3,727,908.62
Mary Huston . . . . .	100.00
Library Charity Fund . . . . .	321.06
Farm Leases, etc., at Elizabethtown . . . . .	4,502.66
Lancaster County Freemasons Donation to Masonic Homes for Memorial . . . . .	10,416.00
Masonic Homes Fund (donations) . . . . .	2,135.48
Masonic Home Loan!, . . . . .	135,400.00
Blair County Lodges Memorial Building Fund . . . . .	5,802.00
	<u>\$3,887,910.55</u>

All of which is fraternally submitted,

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,  
WILLIAM McCONWAY,  
HENRY E. TRIPLER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
*Committee on Finance.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.



## COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-laws made the following report, when on motion the resolutions attached thereto were adopted :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on By-laws respectfully report that they have examined the By-laws and proposed Amendments to By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the proposed By-laws of Lodges Nos. 190 and 384 be approved.

*Resolved*, That the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodges Nos. 186, 272, 333, 375, 381, 385, 506, 508, 612, 620, and 665 be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 539, Article V, Section 2, be approved ; and that Article V, Section 1, be amended by changing the fee for the admission of an Entered Apprentice Mason from \$25.00 to \$35.00, and that as so amended it be approved.

*Resolved*, That of the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Lodge No. 569, Article I, Section 1 ; Article III, Sections 2, 3 and 4 ; Article IV, Section 1 ; Article V, Sections 1 and 2 ; Article VI, Sections 1, 2 and 3 ; Article VIII ; Article IX, Sections 1 and 2 ; and Article XII, be approved ; and that Article I, Section 1, be amended as noted on the copy, and that as so amended it be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES McCONNELL,  
EDWARD T. ROBERTS,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
WILLIAM D. ASNIP,  
THOMAS J. S. NICELY,  
*Committee.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

## COMMITTEE ON TEMPLE.

The Committee on Temple made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on Temple respectfully presents its report of expenditures from November 15, 1910, to November 15, 1911.

Salaries and Wages . . . . .	\$16,011.16
Window Cleaning . . . . .	360.00
Laundry . . . . .	141.33
Hauling Ashes . . . . .	235.96
Electric Lighting . . . . .	7,477.94
Coal . . . . .	1,376.16
Ice . . . . .	206.00
Telephone . . . . .	500.99
Furniture and Repairs . . . . .	2,061.06
Machinery and Repairs . . . . .	436.32
Building Repairs . . . . .	2,470.50
Electrical Work . . . . .	743.55
Insurance . . . . .	174.50
Water rent . . . . .	240.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	552.13
Petty cash . . . . .	60.32
Portraits of Past Grand Masters . . . . .	1,200.00
	<u>\$34,247.92</u>

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE McCURDY,  
HIBBERT P. JOHN,  
Z. TAYLOR RICKARDS,  
THOMAS L. LATTA,  
CHARLES CHIPMAN,  
*Committee on Temple.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

## COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOMES.

The Committee on Masonic Homes made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The Committee on Masonic Homes submits its annual report for the year ending the Quarterly Communication in December, 1911, as follows:

Our previous reports traced the development of the Masonic Home idea through a number of years of consideration of the subject, and concluded in the last with an announcement of the selection of a site, and the purchase of 966 acres of land at Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, on which to establish and maintain a Masonic Home, to be under the jurisdiction and control of the Grand Lodge, admission to which to be free of all money charges, fees, and subsequent considerations, and subject to such rules as may be from time to time made by the Committee on Masonic Homes and approved by this Grand Lodge, so as to be a fully equipped home for dependent Masons, their wives, mothers, widows, sisters, and orphan children.

The careful investigation of this subject has expanded the views of the members of the Fraternity in regard to the character of a Masonic Home. The aim of this Grand Lodge appears to be to meet every duty relating to fraternal charity by a full performance of it; to provide relief for all who merit it, without regard to age or sex; to prevent the overlapping of our benefactions; and to maintain a Masonic Home so as to preserve the domestic as well as the fraternal relation among our Guests.

The Committee takes special pleasure in assuring the Grand Lodge that in its labors there has been that perfect



harmony which should always obtain when Brethren confer in the interest of our Fraternity.

There have been thirty-four (34) meetings of the Committee at Elizabethtown and in Philadelphia, in addition to which a large number of meetings of sub-committees on the grounds, and personal visits to the property by individual members of the Committee to observe in detail the improvements, under the zealous supervision of our representative, so that our plans and specifications would be technically put into effect.

It was found expedient to purchase three (3) small tracts of land in order to straighten our boundary lines, as follows: No. 1, from John E. Ulrich, 6.712 acres, at the price of \$375.00; No. 2, from Christian K. Shank, 0.741 acre, at \$35.00; No. 3, from Daniel S. Kaylor, 7.663 acres, for \$1000.00, which was reported by the Committee to the Grand Lodge, and special authority given to the Committee to conclude the transaction, at the Quarterly Communication held in March, 1911, making the total acreage 981.857.

A detailed account of all the work done by this Committee, its Executive Committee, Building Committee, and other sub-committees would require a much larger report than is deemed necessary at this time, but the Committee urges upon every member of the Fraternity a careful examination of their records which are open for inspection to those who desire to see them, in the office of the Grand Master.

A brief summary of the work done is as follows:

There are forty-five (45) tracts, on which there are seventeen (17) houses, thirteen (13) barns and the usual out-buildings. There is fire insurance in force on same, amounting to \$36,685, and insurance on the furniture and fixtures in Guest House No. 1, \$1200.

Our last report advised you that a number of bids for the construction of a Grand Lodge Hall had been received, and were scheduled for further consideration. A relief

model of Grand Lodge Hall and the connecting cottages was made by the Chapman Decorative Company, of Philadelphia, at a cost of \$570, and remains in the corridor of the Masonic Temple in Philadelphia. Plans and specifications had been prepared by our Architects, Zantzinger, Borie & Medary, of Philadelphia, who, by direction of the Committee, gave public notice that sealed bids on the same should be received at the office of the Grand Master in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, at 10 A.M. on December 6, 1910. The Committee reserved the right to reject all bids. Twenty-two (22) contractors received plans and specifications from the Architects, and fourteen (14) of them submitted bids in accordance with the requirements fixed by the Committee, as follows:

WILLIAM R. DOUGHERTY.  
CRAMP & Co.  
MARK P. WELLS.  
JOHN R. WIGGINS & Co.  
STACEY REEVES & SON.  
A. WHITEHEAD.  
J. P. BRENNEMAN.

JAMES G. DOAK & Co.  
APPLETON & BURRELL.  
FRED. A. HAVENS.  
A. RAYMOND RAFF.  
JOHN GOLL & Co.  
J. L. MENOUGH.  
JACOB MYERS & SON.

All these bids were in excess of the limit fixed by the Committee in its contract with the Architects. Upon examination, it was found that there had been some misunderstanding in regard to the time when bids would be received, and, in the hope of securing lower bids, it was decided to reject all that had been submitted; to revise and modify the plans and specifications, in order to reduce the cost of the building as much as possible without affecting its strength, beauty, or utility, and, that the building to be erected should be arranged chiefly for the reception and accommodation of Guests, and also general headquarters and administrative purposes; and would be designated as "The Grand Lodge Hall."



On February 10, 1911, the revised plans and specifications were examined in consultation with the Architects and Engineer; and the prospective bidders were notified that bids on the revised plans and specifications would be received from them at the Grand Master's office on March 31, 1911, at 12 o'clock.

At the time and place mentioned, bids were received from the following:

J. L. MENOUGH, York, Pa.  
 PLUMMER J. JEFFERIES, West Chester.  
 W. S. MILLER, Harrisburg.  
 JAS. G. DRAKE, Philadelphia.  
 CHARLES MCCAULL, Philadelphia.  
 JOHN R. WIGGINS & Co., Philadelphia.  
 JACOB MYERS & SON, Philadelphia.  
 FRED. A. HAVENS, Philadelphia.  
 J. E. & A. L. PENNOCK, Philadelphia.  
 A. WHITEHEAD, Philadelphia.  
 HENRY SHANK & Co., Erie and Pittsburgh.  
 GEORGE HOGG & Co., Philadelphia.  
 MARK P. WELLS, Philadelphia.  
 APPLETON & BURRELL, Philadelphia.  
 R. C. BALLINGER & Co., Philadelphia.  
 WILLIAM R. DOUGHERTY, Philadelphia.  
 CRAMP & Co., Philadelphia.  
 JOHN W. EMERY, Philadelphia.  
 STACEY REEVES & Co., Philadelphia.

Each bid was accompanied with a check for \$1000, notations of all suggested alternates of material, and fixing the time when work would be begun and completed. After a tabulation of the bids with the Architects and Engineer, it was decided to retain those submitted by Jacob Myers & Son, John R. Wiggins & Co., Fred. A. Havens, Cramp & Co., and A. Raymond Raff, and all others were formally re-



jected. The accompanying checks were returned to the respective bidders. To further insure perfect work in regard to a special branch of the contract, it was decided to employ Isaac Hathaway Francis, of Philadelphia, as consulting engineer of the light, heat, power, ventilation, etc., system, insofar as such services are necessary in erection and equipment of the laundry, a power plant, and transmission of light, heat and power to the Grand Lodge Hall.

On May 15, the contract for the construction of the Grand Lodge Hall was awarded to John R. Wiggins & Co., at the sum of \$373,715, the revised and modified plans and specifications being made part of the contract, which is dated June 8, 1911, and is signed by John R. Wiggins & Co.—John R. Wiggins, President, J. Abbott Wiggins, Secretary, John R. Wiggins, William Wall, Francis K. Worley, and the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, by GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, Grand Master. It was filed and recorded in Mechanics Lien docket No. 7, p. 341, in the Court of Common Pleas of Lancaster County, Pa. The bond accompanying the same is dated June 13, 1911, in the penal sum of \$186,858, and is signed by John R. Wiggins & Co., by John R. Wiggins, President, J. Abbott Wiggins, Secretary, with the corporate seal of the company, and by The Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, as surety, by J. A. Nelson, Vice President, Edgar F. Debon, Secretary, and the corporate seal. This was specially reported to, and read in the Grand Lodge on June 7, 1911, with resolutions of approval and for appropriations necessary for the work. At the same time resolutions were adopted providing for the erection of a power plant with a ventilating system, laundry department; a conduit from the power plant to Grand Lodge Hall; a railroad siding, and other necessary work, estimated by our experts to cost about \$120,000; a boulevard road from the Pennsylvania Railroad to the hospital and Grand Lodge Hall; storm water sewer,

grading ground, etc., estimated by our experts to cost about \$60,000.

The selection of the stone to be used in the building was given careful investigation, having in view not only the buildings to be presently built, but those which would naturally be a part of the proposition.

And in order to secure the best comparative exhibition of the different kinds and qualities of stone urged upon the Committee; it was decided to have a sample wall built of each of the stones submitted in close proximity to each other, so that personal inspection of each could be made in comparison with the others.

Each owner of the respective quarries generously built at its own cost near the Headquarters House, a sample wall, 9 to 12 feet long, 4 feet high, in its ideal style of construction, as follows:

PENNSYLVANIA BLUE MARBLE CO.  
 PORT DEPOSIT GRANITE, No. 1.  
 PORT DEPOSIT GRANITE, No. 2.  
 MARYSVILLE, No. 1.  
 MARYSVILLE, No. 2.  
 HOLMESBURG GRANITE.  
 AVONDALE MARBLE.  
 AVONDALE TOP ROCK.  
 CLEARFIELD SAND STONE.  
 CHESTNUT HILL ROCK.

After repeated examinations of buildings constructed of these, and consultations with Architects and Engineers, the Committee adopted the buff Holmesburg Granite, offered by the Holmesburg Granite Company, of Holmesburg, Pa., as the stone, and the broken range style of construction, and to be laid to have heights 2" to 10" and lengths 12" to 48", and to average the stone in length, as five is to one in height.

The contract with the Holmesburg Granite Company provides that it shall furnish, at the price quoted, all face



stone required for the work of the Committee, for a period of 10 years and after that time at current trade price.

Extra size stones to be used at corners, and all openings and decorations to be faced, trimmed, and made with buff Indiana limestone, planed smooth finish, and Wyoming bluestone for sills and steps. The work on the Grand Lodge Hall was begun on June 12, 1911.

All samples of material furnished are kept in a building erected for that purpose, and all samples of stone, sand, and cement are tested before being accepted by the Engineer and Clerk of Works.

The contract with John Goll & Co., dated September 7, 1910, for the construction of a water supply system, dams, reservoir, roads and grading, pump house, pipe line excavations, supply mains, storm water sewers, has so far progressed that a completed reservoir of a capacity of 1,500,000 gallons, Dam No. 1, of a capacity of 2,750,000 gallons, Dam No. 2, with a capacity of 200,000 gallons, No. 3, of a capacity of 410,000 gallons, aggregating 4,800,000 gallons, have been substantially completed and connected with a pumping station equipped with 50 horse-power Otto Gasoline Engines, and Deming Triplex Pump, of a pumping capacity of 400 gallons per minute at the reservoir, which is located on one of the highest points of the property, from which a general water supply of 80 pounds pressure will be delivered to all parts of Grand Lodge Hall, and an equivalent pressure to all the village buildings.

The State Department of Health was consulted in regard to protecting and safeguarding the water supply by sealing the springs and conducting the water in cast-iron pipes to the dams, all surface water being diverted from the dams by large cobble-stone gutters.

In doing this work, 19,463 feet of cast-iron and 3808 feet of wrought-iron water pipe have been laid; 5978 feet of storm water sewers; 18,774 feet of pipe have been laid in the heating and light duct which connects the Grand Lodge Hall



with the power plant referred to, and in the grading of the ground, to adapt it for uses and purposes, 112,000 cubic yards of earth have been handled. In connecting the Pennsylvania Railroad with the property, one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) miles of Macadam, Telford, Amiesite boulevard have been laid, built up of Macadam, two (2) inches, and of Telford, eight (8) inches, of Amiesite, three (3) inches,—each layer being thoroughly rolled with a fifteen (15) ton roller before the next layer is placed, with gutters at side. Four thousand and eighty-six feet of the same character of road have been built by John Goll & Co., under contract with the Committee in accordance with our agreement with the supervisors of West Donegal Township, and the vacation of 6811 feet of the Ridge Road through our property.

A 25 foot span concrete arch was built over Conoy Creek as a part of our Southern boundary road. On each side of this road there have been erected by our own workmen, one and one-half miles of fence, made of concrete posts, costing fifty cents each, with two lines of one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) iron pipe; the whole line costing sixteen (16) cents per lineal foot for material and labor. This style fence has been adopted as the cheapest and most permanent kind for our boundary fences.

As the work on the water pipe line and excavation for the reservoir progressed, it was found that some items for work exceeded the original estimates, for the reason that the comparison of all bids was made on a basis of earth excavations, with prices stated for loose and hard rock possibilities. The quantities of these additions were certified by our Engineer, and payment made in accordance therewith, under the terms of the contract. It was further decided to increase the height of dam No. 2 by three (3) feet of concrete, and it was found necessary to increase the original estimate of concrete work in the bridge over the Conoy Creek, in order to secure safe foundations.

The old road, known as the Ridge Road, from Guest

House No. 1 to our Southern boundary, has been regularly vacated by proceedings in the Court of Quarter Sessions, in Lancaster County, and the road leading from this vacated road to the boundary of Newville is in process of vacation. At a meeting of viewers held on November 10, 1911, a report was signed favoring its vacation, but this report will not be finally acted upon by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Lancaster County until January, 1912.

Very early in the progress of the work, a question was raised as to the quality of sand from the property that was being used in the construction of the buildings, and a number of tests were made by prominent engineers. To avoid all risks in so important a matter, special examinations of the sand were made by the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory, Booth Garrett & Blair Co., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Steel Co., Harrisburg, the City Highway Engineer Department, Harrisburg, and, after full investigation of the matter, it was decided that the sand taken from the property (which we furnish to the contractors at 90 cents per ton), is proper and safe for all purposes, saving and excepting only some 600 yards of re-inforced concrete work, for which a different sand has been secured, at a slightly increased price. All sand and cement are thoroughly tested before using.

During the construction of Grand Lodge Hall, a controversy arose as to the quality of the limestone furnished by the contractors, and resulted in frequent meetings on the grounds, at which the Indiana Quarries Co. and The Ingalls Stone Co., of Bedford, Indiana, the contractors, the sub-contractors, our Architects, Engineer, Clerk of Works, and members of the Committee met, and decided upon the grade and character of the stone to be furnished under the contract, at which time we agreed upon a definite standard of inspection, so that no further trouble is anticipated from that source.

It was found that there was not sufficient space in Guest House No. 1 to accommodate applicants for admission, and



another house on the premises (Brady Oldweiler) known as Guest House No. 2 was repaired and remodeled so as to accommodate thirty (30) additional Guests, at an approximate cost of about \$3000.

The location of the power house was determined by Isaac Hathaway Francis, our specialist, J. Murray Africa, our Engineer, and Charles W. Lowrie, Landscape Architect. It is adjoining the Pennsylvania Railroad property so as to be sufficiently removed from Grand Lodge Hall to avoid dirt and noise, not offend landscape effects, and at the same time to economically provide for handling all coal and ashes.

Upon examination it was decided that the arrangement and character of the power house was more expensive than necessary, and other plans and specifications were submitted to bidders. On September 26, new bids were received from J. P. Breneman, Lancaster, Pa., Pomeroy Construction Company, John R. Wiggins & Co., Philadelphia, the latter being the lowest and best bidder, and that company was awarded the contract at the sum of \$14,540.00. For the necessary equipment of the plant, plans and specifications to furnish light, heat, power, ventilation, ice manufacture, etc., were prepared by Mr. Francis, and after revision and public notice was given to contractors for the necessary equipment of said plant, bids for the work were received, viz.:

*No. 1. Power Plant Piping and Duct Work:*

EVERTS & OVERDEER, Lancaster, Pa.

CHARLES E. MONDAY & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

W. M. ANDERSON, Philadelphia, Pa.

THOMPSON BROTHERS, Lancaster, Pa.

JOHN P. SMITH, Philadelphia, Pa.

HOBEN & DOYLE, Philadelphia, Pa.

YORK ENGINEERING Co., York, Pa.

HARRY F. MURPHY & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

IRON CITY HEATING Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

S. FAITH & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.



The successful contractor was Wm. M. Anderson, whose bid on the work was \$69,250.

The following firms secured plans and specifications but failed to submit proposals:

PITTSBURGH VALVE, FOUNDRY & CONST. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

JAMES J. WALKER Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

IRON CITY ENG. Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

*No. 2. Pipe Coverings:*

JOHNS-MANVILLE Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

MAGNESIA COVERING Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

EHRET MAGNESIA COVERING Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

PHILIP CAREY Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

JOHN R. LIVEZEY, Philadelphia, Pa.

The successful contractor was John R. Livezey, whose bid on the work was \$7500.

The foregoing firms maintain agencies throughout the large cities of the United States; two of them, namely, John R. Livezey and Ehret Magnesia Covering Co., have headquarters in Philadelphia.

*No. 3. Stacks:*

ALPHONS CUSTODIS CHIMNEY CON. Co., New York, N. Y.

H. R. HEINICKE, New York, N. Y.

M. W. KELLOGG Co., New York, N. Y.

HEINE CHIMNEY Co., Chicago, Ill.

The successful contractor was M. W. Kellogg Co., whose price was \$2870.

*No. 4. Switchboard:*

PRINGLE ELECTRIC MFG. Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

ALBERT & J. M. ANDERSON MFG. Co., Boston, Mass.

The successful contractor was the Albert & J. M. Anderson Mfg. Co., whose price was \$1775.

*No. 5. Generators:*

SCRANTON ELECTRIC CONST. Co., Scranton, Pa.  
 GENERAL ELECTRIC Co., Schenectady, N. Y.  
 BURKE ELECTRIC Co., Erie, Pa.  
 WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 TRIUMPH ELECTRIC Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 RIDGEWAY DYNAMO & ENGINE Co., Ridgeway, Pa.  
 CROCKER-WHEELER Co., Ampere, N. J.

The successful contractor was Crocker-Wheeler Company, whose price was \$2732.

*No. 6. Engines:*

SCRANTON ELECTRIC CONST. Co., Scranton, Pa.  
 FITCHBURG STEAM ENGINE Co., Fitchburg, Mass.  
 BALL ENGINE Co., Erie, Pa.  
 A. L. IDE & SONS, Springfield, Ill.  
 HARRISBURG FOUNDRY & MACHINE Co., Harrisburg, Pa.  
 RIDGEWAY ENGINE Co., Ridgeway, Pa.

The successful contractor being the Harrisburg Foundry & Machine Co., whose price was \$2728.

*No. 7. Cable:*

JOHN A. ROEBLING'S SONS & Co., Trenton, N. J.  
 AMERICAN STEEL & WIRE Co., New York, N. Y.  
 STANDARD UNDERGROUND CABLE Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

The successful contractor being the Standard Underground Cable Co., whose price installed was 26.7 cents per foot, terminals \$12.50 each, brackets 75 cents each.

*No. 8. Boilers:*

WICKES BOILER Co., New York City, N. Y.  
 E. KEELER COMPANY, Williamsport, Pa.

COATESVILLE BOILER WORKS, Coatesville, Pa.  
 HOWARD W. READ Co., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 HEINE BOILER Co., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 PARKER BOILER Co., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 EDGE MOOR IRON WORKS, Edge Moor, Pa.  
 BABCOCK & WILCOX, New York City, N. Y.  
 ROBB-MUMFORD BOILER Co., South Framingham,  
 Mass.

The successful contractor being the E. Keeler Company, whose price was \$4123.

Tuesday, September 26, 1911, was designated by the Grand Master as the time for laying the cornerstone of Grand Lodge Hall. The services were conducted by the Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, and his assisting Officers, beginning at noon. The cornerstone was furnished by Brother FRANCIS K. WORLEY, of William L. Elkins Lodge, No. 646. It is of High Island, Maine, granite, with name inscribed as required by the Committee, and weighs 6840 pounds. The Fraternity was represented by about 3600 members, and distinguished visitors from other Jurisdictions, as follows: Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM B. MCCHESENEY, of Virginia; Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother G. ROSCOE SWIFT, of Michigan; Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother CHARLES H. WIGGIN, of New Hampshire; Brother H. L. PITTOCK, of Portland, Oregon.

Many visitors were present, in all estimated to number at least 8000. The services were of exceptional interest; a full record of the proceedings by direction of the Grand Master will be published, in connection with the 125th Anniversary of the Independence of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, held in Philadelphia, on Sunday and Monday preceding. At the conclusion of this



service, the Grand Master, assisted by the other Grand Officers, laid the cornerstone of the Blair County Memorial Building, according to the forms and ceremonies laid down for such an event, in due and ancient form.

This building is constructed from personal and Lodge donations of the Freemasons of the 20th District, Blair County, from plans prepared by Brother JULIAN MILLARD, Lodge No. 282, the estimated cost thereof being \$7726, to which sum this Committee has agreed to contribute, by reason of change of plans suggested by the Committee, and will be erected under the supervision of the Committee on Masonic Homes; to be the property of the Grand Lodge when completed, and subject to the rules promulgated by the Committee. The receipts and vouchers for the payment of labor and material, and all money contributed and expended by the Lodges will be delivered to the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

A number of the farm buildings have received necessary repairs, internal fences and fence rows of stone, brush, and vines have been removed, lanes, ways, and fields have been rearranged to more economically operate our agricultural work, and for the year ending November 15, we have received from our farm products, \$3257.62, and it is estimated that the returns from tobacco and corn unsold will yield \$2800 additional, when ready for market.

We have now planted 124 acres in Fall wheat, heavily seeded with timothy, and 10 acres with alfalfa. Both crops are well started, and we are arranging for a fair acreage of corn, oats, tobacco and other crops for 1912. All accounts of the Committee have been examined and audited by the Committee on Finance.

Exhibit No. 1 shows the disbursements for upkeep of property, maintenance, repairs, clothing, and necessary forms.

The list of donations during the year is materially larger than that of last year. See exhibit No. 2. We desire the Brethren to know that a proper record is made of every dona-

tion, and the name of the donor; and in every instance the wish of the donor is carried out in the use or application of the gift.

We earnestly urge upon the members of the Fraternity that they visit the Home, to carefully examine all the work we have done and are doing, and particularly to visit our Guests in their own rooms, and hear from them in regard to this practical Masonic work. Such visitations are due to the Grand Lodge, your Committee, and your Guests.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has located a site for a new station, to be erected as our emergencies require.

During 1910, there were 1344 registered visitors, and during 1911, to December 1, there have been 3374 registered visitors, exclusive of the members present on Cornerstone Day.

A cemetery has been located on the Simon A. Rutt property (No. 33), and a plan with the connecting roadway has been prepared by our Engineer.

A complete planting plan for trees and shrubbery has been prepared by Charles N. Lowrie, Landscape Architect, of New York, showing the designated place, by number, the botanical and popular name of every tree and shrub embraced thereon, and is open for examination in the office of the Right Worshipful Grand Master.

A garden and nursery plan has been adopted embracing 12 acres, in which are planted about 5000 stock of deciduous and evergreen trees that have been donated by members of the Fraternity. A full list of kind, number, and name of donor is preserved in the Headquarters at Elizabethtown.

A list of the resident Guests is attached hereto, with explanatory data, and made a part hereof. (Exhibit No. 3.)

The Committee has prepared a schedule of the estimated cost of the furnishing and material to be used in the buildings, amounting in the aggregate to \$30,000.

By a resolution of this Grand Lodge, at the Quarterly Communication held on September 2, 1908 (Pro. 1908, p.



50), it is provided "The Committee shall not make any contract until the funds necessary to pay therefor have been specifically appropriated by the Grand Lodge."

All contracts for the purchase of land, the construction of buildings and improvements, to wit:

First: For the Grand Lodge Hall.

Second: The Reservoir with three impounding dams, a pumping station with distribution service pipes.

Third: For construction of a public road in substitution for a vacated public road.

Fourth: For a boulevard with connecting streets and ways.

Fifth: For construction of power plant for generation of heat, light, power, ventilation and laundry purposes, equipment, etc., and an underground duct to connect with Grand Lodge Hall, have been ratified and approved.

The interest in this great work increases as it is developed, and we repeat what was said in our last report:

"The widespread interest that is taken in this project, as well as the desire on the part of members of the Fraternity and Masonic bodies to be identified in a practical manner with it, are evidenced by the large number of oral and written inquiries that have been made, for advice and suggestions with reference to the general, as well as the detail work and scope of the enterprise."

In reply to all such inquiries we suggest that *all contributions of money, either by members or Masonic bodies, intended to be for the use of the Committee on Masonic Homes, should be paid to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, so that a proper record will be made of the donor, the date and amount of the contribution, and the special purpose to which the donor desires the fund to be applied. All such funds will be transmitted to the Grand Treasurer, and be subject in his hands to the order of the Committee, who will observe the particular requests that are made in relation thereto.*



Bequests in last wills and testaments, that are intended for the charities under the control and administered by the Committee on Masonic Homes, should be in the following form:

*“I give and bequeath to the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, for use of the Committee on Masonic Homes, under its control, the sum of.....Dollars, and I hereby direct that this bequest shall be free and discharged of and from all commissions, charges and collateral inheritance taxes.”*

May not we as your representatives in this noble work of relieving the necessities of the destitute, urge upon you, in the approaching season of “Peace on earth and good will towards men” that your efforts in this behalf may be redoubled, and that, all that may be done, will be done to relieve the needy, and be for the glory of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
*Grand Master.*

WILLIAM L. GORGAS,  
*Deputy Grand Master.*

J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
*Senior Grand Warden.*

LOUIS A. WATRES,  
*Junior Grand Warden.*

GEORGE B. ORLADY.

DAVID A. SAWDEY.

SPENCER C. GILBERT.

DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD.

JAMES B. KRAUSE.

JOHN D. GOFF.

EDWARD W. PATTON.

## EXHIBIT 1.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOMES, FOR MAINTENANCE OF HOME AT ELIZABETHTOWN, PA.,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 1911.

## RECEIPTS.

Cash Balance November 15, 1910 .....	\$692.35
Received from Grand Treasurer during the year	19,000.00
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	\$19,692.35

## EXPENDITURES.

Boarding of Guests .....	\$6,206.23
Fixtures .....	114.08
Freight and Express .....	431.56
Fuel .....	583.88
Funeral Expenses .....	119.54
Furniture, Beds and Bedding .....	312.34
Ice .....	39.15
Insurance and Taxes .....	742.87
Lighting and Water Rent .....	205.27
Printing .....	181.78
Plumbing .....	5.90
Repairs and Painting .....	1,905.27
Sundries .....	125.89
Supplies: Brooms and Brushes ....	4.16
Dry Goods and Clothing .....	59.20
Farm .....	1,970.69
Medical and Surgical .....	22.15
Telephone and Telegraph .....	104.92
Wages .....	6.457.05
Cash balance November 15, 1911 ..	100.42
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	\$19,692.35

## EXHIBIT 2.

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1908.			
Dec. 28	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Cash, \$100.00....	.....
1909.			
Feb. 9	Six Members, Lodge No. 622 .....	Cash, 6.00....	.....
Nov. 12	James H. Darlington, Lodge No. 21.....	Cash, 20.00....	.....
Dec. 22	Tyrone Lodge, No. 494, Tyrone, Blair Co., Pa...	Cash, 100.00....	.....
Dec. 22	Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, Harrisburg, Dauphin Co., Pa.....	Cash, 82.48....	.....
Dec. 31	Susquehanna Lodge, No. 364, Millersburg, Dau- phin Co., Pa.....	Cash, 10.00 ...	.....
1910.			
Jan. 19	J. H. Miller, of Geo. E. Wagner Lodge, No. 639, St. Mary's, Elk Co., Pa.	Cash, 2.00 ...	.....
Apr. 4	State Forestry .....	26,000 W. pine and spruce and 200 elm trees..	.....
Apr. 6	Asbury W. Lee, Clearfield Lodge, No. 314, Clear- field, Clearfield Co., Pa.	1 85-foot white pine flag pole..	264 years old.
Apr. 11	F.J. Miller, Garfield Lodge No. 604, McDonald, Washington Co., Pa....	Cash, \$20.00.....	.....
May 2	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Rhododendron and hemlock trees .....	.....
May 17	John Calhoun, Jacob Hatz and Assts., Elizabeth- town, Pa. ....	Time and ser- vices erecting flag pole.....	.....
May 21	Lewis E. Beitler, Robert Burns Lodge, No. 464, Harrisburg, Pa.....	Three flags.....	Storm, post and garrison.



Date. 1910.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
May 21	Elizabethtown Gas and Electric Co.....	Arc lights.....	On public road to Guest House.
June 13	Wm. H. Goll, Bristol Lodge, No. 25, Bristol, Bucks Co., Pa.....	84 granite mark- ers, 6" x 6" x 5" .....	.....
June 20	Estate of J. Harry Fritz..	Cash, \$190.00....	.....
Aug. 5	Mary A. and Wm. B. Schneitman, Elizabeth- town.....	Conveyed .466 of an acre ....	To save cutting a shellbark tree.
Sept. 3	Thos. W. Latta, Lodge No. 631 .....	One letter box for electric light pole.....	.....
Sept. 12	J. Jacob Shannon & Co., Market St., Phila., Pa..	One set operative mason's tools..	Used for break- ing ground in first construc- tive work.
Sept. 12	Andrew H. Hershey, Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pa.....	One Visitor's Register .....	.....
Sept. 30	Columbia Lodge, No. 91, Philadelphia, Pa.....	Cash, \$100.00....	.....
Nov. 2	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.....	5,698 shrubs and vines.....	.....
Nov. 2	Lodge No. 156, Quarry- ville, Lancaster Co., Pa.	Cash, \$300.00....	.....
Nov. 2	Manheim Lodge, No. 587, Manheim, Lancaster Co., Pa.....	Cash, 300.00....	.....
Nov. 2	Ashara Lodge, No. 398, Marietta, Pa.....	Cash, 300.00....	Donated Dec. 21, 1910.
Nov. 2	Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pa. ....	Cash, 5000.00....	Donated Dec. 27, 1910.

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1910.			
Nov. 2	Casiphia Lodge, No. 551, Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa. ....	Cash, \$500.00....	Donated Jan . 16, 1911.
Nov. 2	Casiphia Lodge, No. 551, Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa. ....	Cash, 200.00....	Donated Jan . 21, 1911.
Nov. 4	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa. ....	4,000 fruit trees in orchard....	.....
Nov. 4	State Forestry, Harris- burg, Pa. ....	500 walnut trees.	.....
Nov. 15	J. Henry Williams, Wash- ington Lodge, No. 59, Philadelphia Pa. ....	Live stock for the farm. ....	.....
Nov. 15	Geo. B. Orlady, Lodge No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa. ...	1 roll-top desk...	.....
Nov. 16	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa. ...	Cash for orchard, \$500.00 .....	.....
Nov. 16	Wm. F. Murphy's Sons Co.	1 small steel safe.	In Masonic Temple, Phil- adelphia, Nov. 15, 1909.
Nov. 26	Harry Miller, Elizabeth- town, Pa. ....	A 25-lb. turkey .	For Thanksgiv- ing dinner.
Dec. 5	Oriental Lodge, No. 385, Philadelphia, Pa. ....	Cash, \$500.00....	.....
Dec. 13	Susquehanna Lodge, No. 364, Millersburg, Pa. ...	Cash, 10.00....	.....
Dec. 19	Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., Lodge No. 59, Phila., Pa.	Copy of Report of Masonic Home of Pennsyl- vania, from 1884 to 1894...	.....
Dec. 19	Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., Lodge No. 59, Phila., Pa. Inauguration of Robert Burns. Independence Square, July 4, 1887. Masonic Temple, Phila., Pa. Masonic Hall, Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.	7 Pictures framed .	.....

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1910.	New Masonic Temple, City Hall, Broad and Filbert, Phila., Pa. Masonic Temple Fire, Dec. 27, 1886, Chestnut St. between 7th and 8th. Laying cornerstone Masonic Temple, Reading, Pa.		
Dec. 22	Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., Lodge No. 59, Phila., Pa.	3 South down sheep.....	... ..
Dec. 22	Potter Lodge, No. 441, Philadelphia, Pa. ....	Cash, \$25.00...	.....
Dec. 23	Col. W. S. Brown, 523 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.	Playing cards ...	.....
Dec. 24	Brother Frank Muth, Elizabethtown, Pa. ....	A 24-lb. turkey	For Christmas dinner.

## CHRISTMAS DONATIONS.

Dec. 24	Geo. B. Willson, Lodge No. 43 .....	One revolving desk chair....	.....
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## CHRISTMAS DONATIONS.

Dec. 24	Paul Heine .....	Cash,	\$5.00
Dec. 24	W. L. Gorgas.....	Cash,	5.00
Dec. 24	Casiphia Lodge, No. 551.....	Cash,	10.00
Dec. 24	Ashara Lodge, No. 398 .....	Cash,	5.00
Dec. 24	Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pa. ....	Cash,	25.00
Dec. 24	Ephrata Lodge, No. 665.....	Cash,	6.00
Dec. 24	J. W. Oates .....	Cash,	3.00
Dec. 24	Howard Reynolds.....	Cash,	1.00
Dec. 24	George D. Boggs .....	Cash,	1.00
Dec. 24	Brady L. Dellers .....	Cash,	2.00
Dec. 24	Howard L. Martin, Ephrata, Pa.....	Cash,	1.00
Dec. 24	Hastings & Son, Christiana, Pa. ....	Cash,	5.00
Dec. 24	Lodge No. 549, Reading, Pa. ....	Cash,	22.48
Dec. 24	Columbia Lodge, No. 286.....	Cash,	5.00
Dec. 24	Lamberton Lodge, No. 476 .....	Cash,	5.00
Dec. 24	Saml. W. Wray, Secretary to Grand Master, Maga- zines		

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\$101.48

Dec. 27	Walter Ryan, Meridian Sun Lodge, No. 158, Phila., Pa.....	One steel safe for contributions	.....
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Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1910.			
Dec. 30	Henry F. Mitchell, 36th & Reed Sts., Phila., Pa.	20 lbs. confec- tions .....	.....
Dec. 31	Thos. B. Shriver, Rising Star Lodge, No. 126, Phila., Pa. ....	Four car loads manure.....	.....
1911.			
Jan. 5	Supt.'s Office, Masonic Temple, Phila., Pa.....	Cash contents from small safe, \$20.00 .....	.....
Jan. 6	The Moore Seed Co., 339 Market St., Phila., Pa...	1150 mixed tulips	.....
Jan. 14	A. Buchs Sons Co., Eliza- bethtown, Pa.....	4 lawn seats.....	.....
Jan. 26	Philates Lodge, No. 527, Philadelphia, Pa.....	Cash, \$100.00....	.....
Feb. 2	J. Harvey Buch, Eliza- bethtown, Pa.....	100 cigars. ....	.....
Feb. 11	Syria Temple A. A. N. M. S., Desert of Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	Cash, \$100.00....	.....
Feb. 15	J. C. Blair Co., Hunting- don, Pa. ....	600 application blanks. ....	.....
Feb. 21	Geo. W. Loucks, Zere- datha Lodge, No. 451, York, Pa.....	Cash, \$50.00....	Towards safe for Head- quarters.
Mar. 7	Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., P. G. M., Phila., Pa.....	3 whitefaced sheep .....	.....
Mar. 7	Supervisors of East Done- gal Twp., Lanc. Co., Pa.	Cash, \$200.00 ...	To be applied to new road, payable June 1, 1911.
Mar. 8	Geo. B. Orlady, Hunting- don, Pa.....	One wild turkey gobbler .....	.....
Mar. 14	Harry Miller, Elizabeth- town, Pa.....	Half dozen cane seated chairs..	.....
Mar. 24	Horace Olewiler, Eliza- bethtown, Pa.....	Gold fish .....	.....

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1911.			
Mar. 24	Samuel W. Wray, Union Lodge, No.121, Phila., Pa.	2 packages maga- zines .....	.....
Apr. 2	Brother Frank Dissinger, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	6 copies Collier's Magazine .....	.....
Apr. 2	A. C. Bingham, Mt. Mo- riah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa. ....	500 grape vines..	.....
Apr. 5	T. S. Hubbard Co., Nur- serymen, Fredonia, N. Y.	Shipped and pre- paid freight on grape vines ...	This is the shipment bought by A. C. Bingham.
Apr. 15	J. Harris Mussina, Lodge No. 199, Lock Haven....	248 Jack pine trees .....	.....
Apr. 15	H. A. Dreer, 714 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.....	116 hardy decid- uous shrubs...	.....
Apr. 16	J. Harvey Buch, Eliza- bethtown, Pa.....	Box of cigars and Easter bunny.	Distributed to each Guest in the house.
Apr. 16	Miss Mary Elizabeth Buch, Elizabethtown, Pa.	Beautiful Easter card to each Guest. ....	.....
Apr. 16	Mr. and Mrs. Horst, Eliza- bethtown, Pa.....	Basket apples...	For the Guests.
Apr. 17	Saml. W. Wray, Sec. to Grand Master, Phila., Pa.	Package of maga- zines .....	.....
Apr. 17	Spencer C. Gilbert, Harris- burg, Pa. ....	Playing cards...	.....
Apr. 17	Frederick J. Smith, R. F. D., 1, Wayne, Pa.....	6 magnificent magnolia stocks	.....
Apr. 17	Cambria Lodge, No. 278..	1075 snake or striped moose wood maple trees .....	.....

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1911.			
Apr. 17	Johnstown Lodge, No. 538.	1200 fire cherry trees.....	.....
Apr. 22	A member of Reading Lodge, No. 549, Reading, Berks Co., Pa. ....	34 packs garden seeds .....	.....
Apr. 24	E. V. Babcock, Pres. Bab- cock Lumber Co., Ash- tola, Pa. ....	514 birch trees; 1140 white spruce.....	.....
Apr. 28	Phillips Orlady, Hunting- don, Pa.....	15 white fantailed pigeons. ....	.....
Apr. 28	Nathan R. Rambo, Lodge No. 322, West Chester, Pa. ....	1 Chester white sow pig.....	.....
May 9	James McAfee, Pres. Con- solidated Ice Co., Pitts- burgh, Pa. ....	2 sanitary water coolers, 4 large water bottles, 2 thermometers .	.....
May 18	Wm. H. Goll, 1537 Filbert St., Phila., Pa.....	2 thoroughbred Guernsey cows	To start the herd. Regis- tered 16514.
May 18	Wm. H. Goll, 1537 Filbert St., Phila., Pa.....	Imported Guern- sey bull .....	.....
May 24	Hon. L. A. Watres, Scrant- on, Pa.....	50 Norway maples .....	.....
May 24	E. Waring, Tyrone, Pa. .	200 Savin trees, white cedar...	.....
May 29	A. C. Bingham, Mt. Mo- riah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.....	210 fruit trees...	All received April 17, 1911.
May 29	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa...	1200 white spruce	All received in April.



Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1911.			
May 29	Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa...	50 mountain el- ders ; 900 kal- mias ; 500 rho- dodendrons; 100 sweet mountain ferns; 65 Jack pines ; 26 Dorothy Per- kins roses ; 50 two year roses, assorted .....	.....
June 3	Geo. B. Orlady, Past Grand Master, Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Hun- tingdon, Pa.....	Cash, \$100.00...	.....
June 5	Edw. T. Alburger, Rox- borough Lodge, No. 135, Manayunk, Phila., Pa..	10 Dracinea In- dinea; 91 gera- niums, assorted; 48 petunias; 110 verbenas; 38 nasturtiums; 25 parlor dog; 52 coleus; 12 — — 13 ———. ....	Used in decorat- ing Rest House on Mt. Moriah.
June 12	Geo. B. Orlady, Mt. Mo- riah Lodge, No. 300, Huntingdon, Pa.....	3 curtains for Rest House...	.....
Sept. 26	Geo. B. Orlady, P. G. M.	Cash, \$24.00.....	Sod gutters.
Oct. 15	Williamsport Water Co., Williamsport, Pa. ....	100 maple trees..	.....
Oct. 21	Mahoning Lodge, No. 243, New Castle, Pa. ....	} 508 hard or sugar maple trees.	
Oct. 21	Lodge of the Craft, No. 433, New Castle, Pa. ...		
Oct. 21	New Castle Lodge, No. 642, New Castle, Pa...		
Oct. 21	Delta Royal Arch Chapter, No. 170, New Castle, Pa.		
Oct. 21	New Castle Lodge of Per- fection, New Castle, Pa.		

Date.	Donor. Name and Address.	Article.	Remarks.
1911.			
Oct. 27	Howard George, Jerusalem Lodge, No. 506, Frank- ford, Philadelphia, Pa..	2 s e t s rubber quoits for Guests	.....
Sept. 25	The Misses Wray, 5524 Wayne Ave., German- town, Pa.....	Bible for corner- stone.....	.....
Sept. 25	Francis K. Worley, Phila- delphia, Pa.....	High Island, Me., granite corner- stone for Grand Lodge Hall....	Weighing 6480 lbs.
Sept. 25	Huntingdon Command- ery, No. 65.....	Cash, \$200.00....	.....
Sept. 25	Cromwell Lodge, No. 572.	Cash, 200.00....	.....
Sept. 25	Brother J. Hampton Moore, Lodge No. 386..	800 packages gar- den and flower seeds .....	.....
Sept. 25	Brother Wm. M. Ander- son, Lodge No. 487.....	Boilers, piping, radiators.....	Full heating equipment for pumping sta- tion and in- stallation, value \$650.00.

## EXHIBIT 3.

## List of Guests, Masonic Home, Elizabethtown, Pa., Nov. 11, 1911.

Arrived. 1910.	Born.	Lodge.	No.
June 25	Wm. M. Geesaman.....Jan. 7, 1848..	(Cumb'land Val.)..	315
July 8	Cyrus M. Childs .....	May 21, 1836..Mahoning .....	516
July 13	(Charlotte E. Child, widow of Sullivan S. Child) .....	1846..Ashara .....	398
Aug. 18	(Caroline Galton, widow of Joseph P. Galton).. Apr. 10, 1846..	Montgomery .....	19
Sept. 22	John Hull.....	Mar. 4, 1835.....	43
Oct. 24	Cadwallader G. McMullin .....	Oct. 17, 1836..Apollo .....	386
	and		
Oct. 24	Jane McMullin .....	Feb. 26, 1846..Apollo .....	386

Arrived. 1910.		Born.	Lodge.	No.
Nov. 8	Charles Read .....	June 1, 1834..	Excelsior .....	491
	. and			
Nov. 8	Mary Jane Read.....	Dec. 2, 1847..	Excelsior .....	491
Dec. 5	Charles Goodman.....	May 21, 1836..	Christiana.....	417
Dec. 23	Joel A. Bear.....	May 4, 1838..	Vaux .....	406
Dec. 29	(Mary Lane, widow of John V. Lane).....	June 6, 1850.....		419
Dec. 29	James K. Alexander....	Dec. 24, 1832..	Christiana.....	417
1911.				
Jan. 11	(Anna Mary Wehner, widow of Casper Wehner) .....	Oct. 2, 1839..	Jefferson .....	288
Jan. 21	John D. Cox.....	May 13, 1834..	Lewistown .....	203
Feb. 6	Wm. Holmes Masklyne..	Jan. 21, 1839..	Stuckrath .....	430
Feb. 15	John W. Jones.....	Mar. 24, 1833..	Milnor.....	287
Feb. 1	Charles A. Graham.....	Aug. 25, 1842..	Franklin .....	221
	and			
Feb. 1	Harriet McK. Graham...	Jan. 14, 1840..	Franklin .....	221
Feb. 28	John H. Miller.....	Aug. 1, 1846..	Lafayette .....	199
Mar. 1	Wesley Hammer.....	Mar. 20, 1835..	Mahanoy City....	357
	and			
Mar. 1	Ellen Hammer.....	July 30, 1848..	Mahanoy City....	357
Apr. 11	(Miss Helen Karrick, daughter of Benj. F. Karrick) .....	Sept. 18, 1841..	Montgomery .....	19
May 2	(Miss Belle W. Leader, daughter of Joshua Leader) .....	Feb. 16, 1857.....		43
June 21	Jonathan Ring.....	Aug. 24, 1848..	Shekinah .....	246
June 26	Charles E. Wood.....	July 12, 1847..	Lake Erie .....	347
June 27	Whitaker Bury .....	Mar. 20, 1841..	Perry .....	392
July 5	John A. Decker.....	Nov. 3, 1832..	Hamilton .....	274
July 18	John H. Apel.....	July 16, 1833..	Columbia .....	91
Aug. 9	Albert G. Vance.....	Sept. 23, 1837..	Philanthropy.....	225
Aug. 9	Henry Fluer.....	Oct. 23, 1837..	Richmond .....	230
	and			
Aug. 9	Helena Fluer .....	Oct. 14, 1843..	Richmond .....	230
Aug. 11	(Mrs. Rose Dudley, widow of John G. Dudley) .....	Jan. 6, 1847.....		432
Aug. 11	Francis Stewart.....	July 13, 1834.....		432
	and			
Aug. 11	Mary E. Stewart .....	Dec. 3, 1837.....		432
Aug. 15	Lewis F. Shugars.....	Jan. 15, 1837..	Hamilton .....	274



Arrived. 1911.	Born.	Lodge.	No.
Aug. 17	(Amanda Jane Flenner, sister of John B. Douglas) .....	Dec. 8, 1847..Osceola .....	515
Aug. 22	(Jane Wilson, sister of Robert Wilson) .....	Aug. 6, 1834..Montgomery .....	19
Aug. 22	Marion DeKalb Barnett..	Jan. 21, 1849..Moshannon .....	391
Aug. 28	(Miss Elizabeth White, daughter of Elisha White) .....	Dec. 21, 1840..Shekinah .....	246
Oct. 6	(Mrs. Kate E. Fraley, daughter of Freder- ick S. Albright) .....	Mar. 13, 1841..Skerrett.....	343
Oct. 9	James H. Shenberger.... and	Apr. 16, 1840..Riverside .....	503
Oct. 9	Francis A. Shenberger...	May 25, 1852..Riverside .....	503
Oct. 10	(Elizabeth Gale Clark, grand-daughter of P. G. M. Wm. Barger ....	Jan. 29, 1851.....	72
Oct. 14	(Elizabeth Shicatantz, widow of Conrad Shi- catantz) .....	May 26, 1827..Ashara.....	398
Oct. 16	George R. Welchans.....	Jan. 3, 1845.....	43
Oct. 27	Edward Burkholder..... and	May 15, 1834..Williamson .....	307
Oct. 27	Mrs. Emma Burkholder..	Apr. 23, 1840..Williamson .....	307
Nov. 2	(Mrs. Martha A. Cas- well, widow of John R. Caswell) .....	Apr. 13, 1842..Phoenix .....	75
Nov. 11	(Mrs. Annie Manning, widow of Wm. M. Manning) .....	Apr. 7, 1836..Stuckrath .....	430
Nov. 16	Matthias A. Flick.....	Mar. 4, 1847..Driftwood .....	532
Nov. 19	(Miss Mary Engleman, daughter of Daniel Engleman) .....	Nov. 5, 1837 .Integrity .....	187
Nov. 25	(Sarah A. McIlwee, sis- ter of Thos. McIlwee) ..	Jan. 22, 1846..Athelstan.....	482

## DEATHS.

1910.	
Dec. 13	Jackson McGlathery, died Mar. 11, 1911.....May 24, 1839..Phoenix .....
1911.	
Feb. 16	Aaron L. Koons, died May 3, 1911.....Oct. 8, 1851..Tyrone.....

## WITHDRAWN FROM THE HOME.

Arrived.	Born.	Lodge.	No.
1910.			
Dec. 1	Thomas Robinson, left April 6, 1911.....	July 3, 1836 .....	9
1911.			
Sept. 9	(Miss Fannie M. Trumbower, daughter of Perry M. Trumbower, left Oct. 23, 1911).....	Aug. 8, 1855..Muncy.....	299

## SENT FROM THE HOME, ON ACCOUNT OF ABERRATION OF MIND.

1911.			
Nov. 11	(Mrs. Annie Manning, widow of Wm. M. Manning, left Nov. 17, 1911).....	Apr. 7, 1836..Stuckrath .....	430

Average age 70 years.

LIST OF TREES DONATED OR TRANSPLANTED FROM OUR WOOD-  
LAND IN NURSERY FOR DEVELOPMENT, DECEMBER 1, 1911.

100 oaks, assorted.	20 persimmon.
100 white spruce.	30 mulberry, assorted.
200 beech.	7 wild mulberry.
700 maples, assorted.	50 arbor vitæ.
300 tulip poplar.	215 catalpa, assorted.
300 sassafras.	20 wild plum.
200 elms.	24 grafted plum.
500 fire cherry.	10 Japan walnut.
250 magnolia, assorted.	25 English walnut.
200 apple, assorted.	4 Manchuria walnut.
200 peach, assorted.	11 Japan chestnut.
5 apricots.	10 pecan.
300 evergreen, assorted.	20 holly.
50 sour gum.	12 willow.
10 sweet gum.	28 yellow birch.
50 locust, grafted.	7 ash.
25 osage orange, standard.	70 savin.
50 sycamore.	2 maple corn.
5 plane.	5 calico bush.

Six hundred grape vines and a large number of deciduous and evergreen small stocks have been donated, and are being developed for future use.

A large number of hickory, walnut and other nuts were planted in the Nursery, in the Fall of 1911.

#### PLANTED IN 1910.

4,000 apple, pear, peach, cherry and quince trees in orchard.

26,000 pine and hemlock on ridge.

500 walnut on ridge.

250 currant in garden.

125 gooseberry in garden.

100 rhubarb in garden.

2,500 asparagus in garden.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master made the following announcement :

Immediately on learning of the sad disaster at Austin, your Grand Master got into communication with District Deputy Grand Master Brother EDGAR W. ROBINSON, in whose District Austin is, and Brother BALDWIN, a member of the Lodge at Austin, and in order to meet the urgent needs of the Brethren there, I personally sent them \$500 for their temporary relief. This was received and distributed under the supervision of Brother ROBINSON.

The Emergency Relief Fund was not in a position that it could be drawn upon, as that portion of the Fund that was in cash was deposited in the Tradesmen's Trust Co., which was in the hands of a Receiver, and the rest of the money was in mortgages.

Subsequently the Grand Secretary paid back to the Grand Master, from the General Fund, the amount advanced by him, which will be reimbursed by the Emergency Relief Fund as soon as its funds are in proper shape.



On motion of District Deputy Grand Master Brother EDGAR W. ROBINSON, it was

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge dues of Lodge No. 580, held at Austin, for the year 1911, be remitted.

Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG offered the following resolution, which was on motion adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the various Funds belonging to Grand Lodge be authorized and requested to invest their cash balances in the Masonic Home Loan.

District Deputy Grand Master Brother JOHN S. WALLACE, Past Master of Lodge of the Craft, No. 433, addressed the Grand Lodge as follows, and in a fitting and eloquent manner presented on behalf of Mrs. Henderson and children a life-sized oil painting of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON :

The attribute of the human race, that has most distinguished it in all times and in all ages, is respect for its ancestors and hope for its posterity. Respect for those who have preceded, hope for those who are to follow, are the characteristics that tend to elevate mankind to a higher level. Without this influence prevailing to a great extent, nothing good could long survive, no evil could be destroyed.

In primitive Rome it was the custom to preserve in the halls of the houses, images of all the great men who distinguished the family. These images consisted of a mask, representing an exact counterpart of the honored dead, accompanied with the habiliments characteristic of his time, together with the armor, badges, and insignia befitting his rank and exploits. All arranged around the hall, so as to present in the attitude of living men the long succession of illustrious dead. Thus in the going to and fro from his residence, the Roman citizen had ever before

him the venerable array of his ancestors revived in this imposing attitude.

When death claimed another distinguished member of the family, a strange and awful funeral procession was formed; the corpse was followed by numerous couches, containing these weird effigies of his ancestors, each by itself, that the length of his lineage might be more conspicuous, by images of such nations as he had conquered; such cities as he had taken; by the spoils he had won; by the ensigns of the magistracies he had filled.

Thus the good and virtuous Roman, as the funeral cortege moved along with all the honored members of his family, reviving as it were from their urns to enkindle his emulation again, vowed his respect to their memory, and pledged himself to imitate their honor, fidelity, and patriotism.

In a manner slightly analogous to this ancient Roman custom, this Grand Lodge has long honored its illustrious dead, not with awe-inspiring and terrifying images, and weird ceremonies, but with something more appropriate and pleasing to the eye, a portrait placed conspicuously in the halls of this beautiful Temple.

Complying with this time honored custom, there has been provided by loving hands a portrait of an honored Past Grand Master, for presentation to this Grand Lodge.

So in making this presentation in the midst of the transactions incident to this Communication, we thus pay a tribute of respect, and recall to mind an honored Brother who has been called to his fathers.

If you stop to view this portrait of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON, which has been placed on the walls of the upper corridor, I ask you not to gaze upon it with awe and terror, but with love and tenderness; to contemplate his grand character; to recall his valued and efficient services; and to treasure up his virtues in your hearts.

Those of you who knew Brother MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON, it will be almost impossible, in contemplating this portrait, not to experience a feeling of sadness. Brethren, in this life, we cannot elude the heaviness and take the joy. Half of music,



it is said, is to have grieved. And the departing sun his glory owes to the eternal thoughts of creatures brief who think the thing they shall never see. God's law seems to be that if there be no pain there can be no pleasure. So out of our sadness have we made this world more beautiful, and from this sadness glean a promise of hope and immortality.

Brethren, by this simple act we do not thus dismiss our Past Grand Master, to the chamber of forgetfulness and outer darkness. What we loved, prized, and revered in him can never be forgotten. To be cold and inanimate, is not the end of existence, to one who breathed his spirit into the Fraternity he loved so well; whose life was part of the Masonic history of his time; and whose character and handiwork are so intimately interwoven into it, that to remove them, would be to mar the whole fabric.

One might say he had just begun to live; to live by the power and influence of his example in our hearts. His spirit survives itself in our minds, undying and imperishable. We still enjoy the fruits of his counsel, and live and commune with him in the memories of the happy past. Our reverence of things past is deeper, far deeper, than our appreciation of things present; greater than the sway of the living, is the undying power of the dead.

While my talents fall below my proud desire, I am very sensible of the great honor bestowed upon me, in being permitted to present, in grateful remembrance, on behalf of a loving wife and children, this portrait of one so dear to them and to this Grand Lodge, an organization that Brother MATTHIAS H. HENDERSON graced so proudly as its Grand Master.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE with appropriate remarks accepted the portrait on behalf of the Grand Lodge, tendered thanks for the beautiful gift and directed that it be hung in a suitable place in this Masonic Temple.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Oakdale, Allegheny County, Penn-



sylvania, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

A petition was received for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be held at Mount Carmel, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, which was, on motion, referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

The following appointment made by the Right Worshipful Grand Master was read and ordered to be entered in the minutes :

PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 23, 1911.

I, GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, ESQ., Right Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging, by virtue of the powers and authorities in me vested, and in accordance with Article IV, Section 5, of the Ahiman Rezon, do hereby appoint Brother JOHN A. PERRY, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, until the next Annual Election to be held on December 6, 1911.

{ SEAL  
ATTACHED }

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
*Grand Master.*

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 8 o'clock, 45 minutes, P.M.

*John A. Perry*  
*Grand Secretary*

# Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

## ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION.

Held at Philadelphia, December 27, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

### PRESENT:

Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Master.</i>
" WILLIAM L. GORGAS . . .	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
" J. HENRY WILLIAMS . . .	<i>R. W. Senior Grand Warden.</i>
" LOUIS A. WATRES . . .	<i>R. W. Junior Grand Warden.</i>
" WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" JOHN A. PERRY . . .	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
" GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR. }	<i>R. W. Past Grand Masters.</i>
" GEORGE B. ORLADY . . . }	
" ROBERT R. BRINGHURST . . . }	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" JOHN W. LANSINGER . . . }	
" SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR . . . }	
" GEORGE H. SHIRK . . . }	
" THADDEUS S. ADLE . . . }	
" ADAM H. SCHMEHL . . . }	
" JAMES N. RICHARDS . . . }	
" JOHN F. BEITEL . . . }	
" WILLIAM S. PUGH . . . }	
" HOMER E. SPENCER . . . }	
" JOHN W. CODDING . . . }	
" HOWARD F. MARSH . . . }	
" JOHN G. HESS . . . }	
" EZRA C. DOTY . . . }	
" JOHN S. WALLACE . . . }	
" WILLIAM B. MEREDITH . . . }	
" WILLIAM M. HAMILTON . . . }	
" JOHN D. GOFF . . . }	
" FRANK C. O'ROURKE . . . }	
" SAMUEL HAMILTON . . . }	
" WILLIAM H. MAXWELL . . . }	
" JOHN G. BROAD . . . }	

Bro. FREDERICK L. SMITH . . .	}	<i>District Deputy Grand Masters.</i>
" FREDERIC A. GODCHARLES . . .		
" WILLIAM B. CHALFANT . . .	}	<i>Grand Chaplains.</i>
" GEORGE W. MACLAUGHLIN . . .		
" FRANK B. LYNCH . . .		
" CHARLES H. BOND . . .		
" THOMAS M. JACKSON . . .		
" JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF . . .		
" RICHARD MONTGOMERY . . .	}	<i>Senior Grand Deacon.</i>
" JAMES M. LAMBERTON . . .		
" HARRY F. HAWKINS . . .	}	<i>Junior Grand Deacon.</i>
" J. HARRIS MUSSINA . . .		
" HARRY J. BELL . . .	}	<i>Grand Stewards.</i>
" J. WARNER HUTCHINS . . .		
" GEORGE M. McCANDLESS . . .	}	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" CHARLES S. BAIR . . .		
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN . . .	}	<i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i>
" . . .		
" . . .	}	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
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" . . .	}	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>
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One hundred and twenty-five Lodges represented.

Grand Lodge opened in ample form at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Copies of proposed Amendments to By-laws were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

Brother ENOCH MOORE, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, Brother L. IRVING HANDY, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Delaware, and Brother JOSIAH W. EWAN, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of New Jersey, were pleased to visit the Grand Lodge and were received with the customary honors.

A bronze plaque souvenir of the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of Saint John's Lodge, No. 1, F. & A. M. of Newark, New Jersey, presented by Brother W. W. BLANCHARD, was received through the hands of Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, who directed that it be acknowledged and placed in our Library.



## In Memoriam.

Right Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother

WILLIAM A. SINN.

Born May 31, 1835. Died October 17, 1911.

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Brother JOHN L. KINSEY, Past Master of Lodge No. 444, delivered the following eulogy :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, AND MY  
BRETHREN OF GRAND LODGE :

An odd coincidence brings me to this mission to-day. Upon a similar occasion, some years ago, after I had made a few humble remarks upon the character of one of the Grand Masters who had passed from us, Brother SINN said to me, "Oh, I wish I could have some one say such kind words of me when my time has come for such services."

With the expression of the hope that that hour might be far distant, I replied, "If I am here, you shall have me, and I can do so with heart and soul, and say just what I feel, just what I know, of your noble characteristics."

So to-day, without any suggestion from me, or knowledge upon your part, Right Worshipful Sir, or intimation whatsoever, as to this little passing personal incident between Brother SINN and myself, you have assigned me to that duty, and with sad acquiescence do I respond.

When eulogies upon men and their various qualities are presented for consideration, they may divide themselves into two general classes; first, as to that which the individual was himself, or that in which he had related himself to others. And so, as one or the other of these qualities predominates in his nature, you will have either selfishness as to himself or altruism as to mankind in general.

If the theme is to be considered in the latter class, we find such person endowed with attributes that lead him to practice the sentiment and lead in the dogmas of this Fraternity, whether he himself belonged to it or not.

Again, sometimes as we approach men in commanding positions, they lose much of their nobility, and nearly all the lustre that allured us while they were yet at a distance.

Faults and defects that were unnoted far away, to an extent obscure the glamor of their fame nearby.

Brother SINN belonged to the latter class I have spoken of; that is, so far as his relations, as I could observe them, were concerned. In these respects I always found him perfect. I mean, of course, within ordinary human limitations. In this particular, his temperament favored him. He was calm, poised, genial, self-sacrificing, and presented a standard type of all that was finished and exquisite in perfect Masonic manners.

No rude word was ever upon his lips. No unkind sentiment was ever uttered by him, either to an individual present, or of one absent.

He was loving, sweet, companionable, always unostentatious. Even his stately form evinced the beauty and sentiment of his mind, in that it never forsook its natural majesty, or was ever graceless in any movement,



but only exhibited, under all conditions, a disciplined precision in every action. And thus it was he moved through life as a finished gentleman, controlled by cultured dignity. One of the most picturesque things that ever took place in this Grand Lodge, was to see him year after year, when re-elected, as he always was, Grand Secretary, take his place at that altar, and without suggestion, but of his own volition, in measured cadence, assume his obligation.

His presence was a personal joy ; no matter when or how you met him, no one ever left him, even after a moment's interview, without bearing away for him a deeper affection.

As Past Grand Master ORLADY said, at a previous memorial service, that upon his funeral day, with the most appropriately descriptive words, that he had about him "the charm of a winning personality."

Upon occasions like this we are liable to exaggeration, pardonable, inasmuch as it is our last tribute. But yet, there could not be as to him any extravagance in the laudation of his most marked Masonic attributes. And I am sure in this utterance I am corroborated by every Brother of the Fraternity who intimately knew him.

Where could he have a more befitting place than to stand at the portals of Masonry, to welcome there with a genial smile and wooing sympathy of voice, every newcomer to our halls, whether it was a stranger from our own State or from abroad.

Upon the instant of their meeting and his greeting, they felt that truly here they were in an impressive Masonic environment.

All his years, all his more matured years, were spent in that same environment, and his experience only em-



phasized and developed his natural proclivities for the needs of those conditions. And tell me, my Brethren, where can be imagined a life lovelier than one passed in the tranquil and happy season of the serene and unruffled atmosphere as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge?

He was Master of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, at the time that the Lodge held the first Lodge meeting in this Temple, after it was dedicated, and here, upon the same night, he initiated the first Mason that was made within these walls.

He enjoyed the life of a Mason in all its fulness. He revelled in loving relationship to his fellow-man, doing something that was grateful on behalf of those he felt to be his Brethren, in a kinship deeper than merely that of name, and in the completion of his life, in the outflow of the years, he has left behind him now the tenderest memories.

Riding some weeks ago, I turned into Westminster Cemetery, and visited his grave on that lonely hillside, overlooking a most beautiful picture. All about was the evidence of the activities and energies of men to acquire wealth. Marks of great struggles in selfishness, ambitious for greed, working under the inspiration of that avarice so marked in this later and narrower era.

True, there is now more of a certain and a broader benevolence than ever before, and what motives may have led to the exhibitions of such, it may not be our obligation here to discover, yet what we have, while greater than the past, and, in a sense, almost sublime, and which invites our grateful appreciation, yet it is colder, more unsympathetic, and has in it less of soul and more of mechanism than in times gone by. In this fierce struggle for individualism, in great governmental

movements for the rights of man, and likewise, Duty, that beautiful, sacred, divine thing, so much commended, is somewhat forsaken and ignored.

As I stood by and looked upon that solitary grave, from which the sun that day had melted, to an extent, the great snowfall, I beheld upon the hills by the river, to the side of which he was sleeping, a great iron works, although it was a calm and quiet Sabbath elsewhere, with all their chimneys puffing with the energy of steam and smoke and power, with the gleam of the furnaces pouring out their molten product. I said to myself, "What has it all come to now?" In the language of an American poet, if not a great, at least a serious one, "All these shall leave their mirth and their employments, and shall come and make their bed with thee."

And so he rests, as we left him there. Nature shall claim back from him her primal elements, loaned but for a little, to bless the humanity with which he mingled. He has left with us only a memory, as it lives with those who met him, loved him, sympathized with him, and shared with him the best glories of life.

But yet with them he shall still live as a beautiful Masonic benediction forever.

**MASONIC RECORD OF RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND  
SECRETARY BROTHER WILLIAM A. SINN.**

MONTGOMERY LODGE, No. 19, F. & A. M.

Entered Apprentice, September 5, 1867.

Fellow Craft, October 3, 1867.

Master Mason, November 7, 1867.

Junior Warden, 1871.

Senior Warden, 1872.

Worshipful Master, 1873 and 1878.

Representative in the Grand Lodge, 1874-1877.

## KEYSTONE R. A. CHAPTER, No. 175.

Mark Master Mason,  
 Most Excellent Master Mason, } March 25, 1869.  
 Royal Arch Mason,  
 Scribe, 1872.  
 King, 1873.  
 High Priest, 1874.  
 Representative in the Grand Chapter, 1891-1911.  
 Representative of the Grand Chapter of Texas near the  
 Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania from 1890 till death.

## CORINTHIAN "CHASSEUR" COMMANDERY, No. 53, K. T.

Red Cross, March 18, 1901.  
 Knight Templar, }  
 Knight of Malta, } December 16, 1901.

## A. A. SCOTTISH RITE.

Philadelphia Lodge of Perfection 4th degree to 14th  
 degree, March 15, 1901.  
 De Joinville Council Princes of Jerusalem, 15th degree  
 and 16th degree, April 19, 1901.  
 Kilwinning Chapter Rose Croix, 17th degree and 18th  
 degree, May 17, 1901.  
 Philadelphia Consistory, 19th degree to 32d degree,  
 June 21, 1901.  
 Supreme Council, 33d degree, September 17, 1907.

## GRAND LODGE.

Almoner Grand Lodge Charity Fund, 1874 to 1882.  
 Chairman, Committee on Printing and Publishing, 1881  
 and 1882.  
 Grand Tyler, 1882 to 1896.  
 Secretary to Grand Master, 1887 to 1896.  
 Grand Secretary, May 15, 1896 to October 17, 1911.

## GRAND CHAPTER.

Grand Master 2d Vail, 1881 and 1882.  
 Grand Tyler, 1882 to 1896, except the years of 1891 and  
 1892.



## COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals made the following reports, when on separate motions the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 27, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Appeals to which was referred the communication from Lodge No. ——— requesting Grand Lodge to remove the suspension of A. S. L. H., who was suspended June 2, 1909, for un-Masonic conduct, beg to report that they have examined the testimony upon which the Committee on Appeals based its report, and upon which Grand Lodge acted in suspending the accused (who was then Worshipful Master of his Lodge), and are convinced that while the conduct of the accused fully justified his suspension by the Grand Lodge, and his suspension was the necessary result, to the end that it might plainly be made known to the Craft, that the Grand Lodge will not permit such conduct as that of which the accused was found guilty, yet, as the accused had undoubtedly seen the mistake which was committed, immediately after committed, and has ever since been, and is now, fully repentant, it is the belief of the Committee that the trouble existing in the Lodge, which was in part the cause of the act complained of, has since been healed, and that the interests of Freemasonry will be promoted by Grand Lodge giving its consent to the removal of the suspension.

The Committee therefore requests the adoption of the following :

*Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of Lodge No. ———, that the suspension of A. S. L. H. be removed, be and the same is hereby granted by the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

GEORGE C. BURGWIN.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

**BRETHREN :**

The Committee on Appeals makes the following report on charges against Brother W. S. R., Worshipful Master of ——— Lodge, No. ———, which were referred to this Committee by the Grand Lodge on September 7, 1910.

The charges were made by L. C. W., a Master Mason and member of ——— Lodge, No. ———, under date of July 25, 1910. They charged "Brother W.S. R., a Master Mason and then Worshipful Master of said Lodge, with gross un-Masonic conduct and with a violation of his duties as Worshipful Master."

The specifications were in brief :

1. Confirming the reports of the Senior and Junior Wardens on a ballot upon the petition of P. K. S. for initiation and membership, and declaring the petitioner worthy of having the prayer of his petition granted, when there were in fact two black balls at least in the ballot box, and without making a careful examination of the ballot box to see if the favorable reports of the Senior and Junior Wardens were correct.

2. Soliciting members to stay away from the meeting, or to come late to the meeting, when the ballot upon the petition of P. K. S. was appointed to be had ; and in opening the Lodge prior to the time fixed therefor, and thereby preventing certain members from being in the Lodge at the ballot.

3. Conspiring with Brother J. B. K., a Master Mason and member of said Lodge, and with Brother R. D. L., a Master Mason and member of said Lodge, and other members of said Lodge, to approve the petition of P. K. S. for initiation and membership, by appointing Brother J. B. K. acting Senior Warden, in the absence of that officer, and by appointing Brother R. D. L. acting Junior Warden, in the absence of that officer ; and that at least two black balls were voted in the ballot box against the approval of P. K. S. ; and that Brothers J. B. K. and R. D. L., acting Senior and Junior Wardens, announced the vote as favorable to the approval of P. K. S., which Brother W. S. R. confirmed as Worshipful Master.



Answer was made in writing by Brother W. S. R. denying the foregoing charges and specifications. Answers were also made in writing by Brothers J. B. K. and R. D. L. denying the charges and specifications, so far as they related to them.

Your Committee heard the persons interested and all of the witnesses produced by them on November 23, 1910.

The charges, in short, stated in the order of their alleged chronology, are these :

1st. Corruptly soliciting members to stay away from a Lodge meeting.

2d. Corruptly opening a Lodge meeting prior to the appointed time, and excluding members desiring to attend.

3d. Corruptly conspiring to announce a false count of an approval of a petitioner for initiation and membership.

4th. Corruptly announcing a false count of an approval of a petitioner for initiation and membership.

Under the first head the evidence shows that a suggestion was made by the respondent to two members that if they should abstain from attending the meeting they would be free from the charge of voting against a petitioner, who it was anticipated was likely to be rejected. This suggestion was made with the laudable motive of promoting harmony in the Lodge. There is no just basis for the inference that it was done for a sinister purpose. The two persons to whom the suggestion was made did attend the meeting.

Under the second head, there is some difference of opinion among the witnesses as to the exact time of the opening of the Lodge. The preponderance of the testimony is that the Lodge was not opened before seven o'clock P.M., the appointed hour. The minutes record the time of opening at seven o'clock. These minutes were read and approved at the next session of the Lodge. There is no evidence of any wrongful purpose to open the Lodge prior to the appointed hour. No member who arrived in time was excluded from the meeting. One member who arrived after the Lodge was opened was admitted prior to the ballot for the petitioner. Another arriving later and probably after the bal-



lotting had begun was not admitted. The accusation under this head is groundless.

The principal complaint has been presented under the third and fourth heads. These are allied and under the evidence stand or fall together. It seems that in ——— Lodge they used a ballot box oblong in form with a movable tray or shelf, which in position is midway between the top and bottom. This shelf has a hole in the middle of it, of a size adapted to the receipt of a marble. The hole has a projecting rim around it to keep the marbles from rolling into it. The marbles to be voted lay upon the shelf in the upper compartment of the box, while the lower compartment holds the marbles which have been voted by being dropped through the hole in the shelf. On the occasion in question, the Senior and Junior Wardens were absent. Brothers J. B. K. and R. D. L. were selected by the Worshipful Master to fill the chairs of the Senior and Junior Wardens. They were friendly to the petitioner P. K. S. There were about twelve members who voted on the petition. After the ballot was closed, it was passed to the Junior Warden, who announced that the balls were all white. It is charged in the testimony of L. C. W. and his father, that he subjected the box to an insufficient examination. In this respect they are opposed by the testimony of the Junior Warden. The box was then taken to the Senior Warden, who announced that the ballot was in favor of the applicant. Here also it is charged by the testimony of the same two members that the box was insufficiently examined by the Senior Warden. He testifies to the contrary. The box was then taken to the Worshipful Master, who confirmed the reports of the Senior and Junior Wardens, that the balls were all white. Here for the third time, it is charged that the box was not sufficiently examined, and for the third time the charge meets with a denial, and this time from the Worshipful Master. The presumptions are in favor of honesty, but suppose these officers had conspired to proclaim a false result of a count, how would a refraining from an adequate examination of the box aid the conspiracy? On the contrary, these acts, unnecessary to the consummation of the conspiracy, being particularly conspicuous,

would have attracted attention, and tend to lead to detection. L. C. W. and his father each testify to voting a black ball. When the Worshipful Master announced the result of the ballot, the senior W. openly inquired of him, if he was sure he was correct. The inquiry no doubt was intended to suggest a false announcement. The charge now made justifies the inference that that was what was intended. A guilty man would have understood it as such. But the Worshipful Master took the meaning of the inquiry in the sense of its words, as referring to the correctness of the entire announcement, and proceeded to review the entire announcement by inquiring of the Junior Warden, what was his report, which being repeated he inquired of the Senior Warden, what was his report, which likewise being repeated, the Worshipful Master repeated his confirmation. The misapprehension of the inquiry and the simple repetition of the entire ceremonial, argues for its honesty. The challenge of this count was not made by the elder W. until after the ballot had been broken up. If it had been made earlier, the evidence would have been at hand in the condition of the ballot box to have verified or refuted the justification of the challenge. Following this, Brother L. C. W. demanded a test ballot. The Worshipful Master, having in view that a test ballot is usually applied to a negative vote, replied that the application was unusual. He then referred to the Secretary for his suggestion, and the Secretary, having in view that a member who had voted in the affirmative by mistake would have a subsequent opportunity of expressing his dissent, told the Worshipful Master that a test ballot could not be had. All this appears to be in the usual probable course. The candidate has not yet presented himself for initiation. It appears from the testimony of a member who voted in the affirmative that when he voted, there were about five black balls on the tray, and the same member testified that shortly after the ballot had been broken up, and while the ballot box was yet at the Worshipful Master's desk, he noted the number of black balls on the tray, and that there were about ten. The suggestion was that the extra five black balls had been voted and were in the bottom of the box, when this member voted. The attention of



the Worshipful Master to this was not called at the time, and he was not asked for an explanation. The Worshipful Master testifies that before preparing the ballot box, observing that there were more black balls than necessary, he removed about five of them, and that they lay on his desk, during the taking of the vote. When he broke the ballot he restored the black balls to the tray. This sufficiently explains this circumstance. Two members testify that when the elder W. voted he did so in a conspicuous manner and one of them noted that he voted a white ball.

We have given the case a patient hearing and a deliberate consideration, and entertaining the above views, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the charge of Brother L. C. W., a member of ——— Lodge, No. ———, against Brother W. S. R., then Worshipful Master of said Lodge, of gross un-Masonic conduct and with a violation of his duties as Worshipful Master, be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

W. B. BROOMALL.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

In the matter of the appeal of L. C. W. from the action of ——— Lodge, No. ———, the Committee on Appeals respectfully reports :

The appellant was charged in effect :

1. With gross un-Masonic conduct in that he had wilfully, falsely and maliciously charged the Worshipful Master of his Lodge with gross un-Masonic conduct and preferred certain charges to the Grand Lodge.

2. That he, well knowing that he was about to be elected to the office of Senior Warden, suffered and permitted himself to be



elected, and knowing that his election was for the purpose of promoting harmony, wilfully and maliciously declined the said office, well knowing such declination would destroy the harmony and good order in said Lodge.

It appears that the appellant had presented charges to Grand Lodge, against the Worshipful Master of ——— Lodge, No. ———, charging that the Worshipful Master had failed to properly report the ballot on a petition, charging that the Worshipful Master in conjunction with others had wrongly reported the result of a ballot for a petitioner, and soliciting members to stay away from the meeting, and that he had at the meeting opened the Lodge before the proper time, in order to accomplish an improper purpose. The charges made by the appellant were not sustained and he thereupon appealed to the Grand Lodge, to obtain the determination of the case in which the present appellant was accuser, and immediately after that case had been argued before the Committee on Appeals, ——— Lodge, No. ———, appointed a committee with the District Deputy Grand Master presiding, to try the appellant on the charges referred to.

The gist of the offense charged against the appellant seems to have been the wilfulness, falsity and maliciousness of the charge against his Worshipful Master. No evidence would be necessary to show, that the charges made by any sane Master Mason were wilful. Evidence was offered by appellant to prove they were not false and his trial committee refused to consider them, on the ground that the truth or falsity in the original charges, preferred by the appellant, were still before the Committee on Appeals, and should not therefore be subject to consideration, by the trial committee in the present case. It would have been better, if, at this time, the trial committee had postponed consideration of the present case, until the prior case, in which the present appellant was accuser, had finally been disposed of by Grand Lodge, because if the charges made by the present appellant were false, it would tend to convince the trial committee that they were malicious, whereas if they were true, they would not be malicious whatever the motive might be that induced the appellant, in the present case, to prefer them. For these reasons we believe, that

the trial in the present case should have been deferred, or that evidence as to the truth or falsity of the charges of the previous case should have been admitted, and that the present appellant was not afforded a full opportunity to present his case and that he still maintained that his original charges were true.

As to the second charge, that the appellant knowingly suffered himself to be elected to office and then wilfully and maliciously declined to accept the same, knowing that such declination would disturb the harmony and good order, and for the purpose of coercing the Lodge to some other action, we have been unable to find in the record at present any evidence whatever to justify this charge. We seriously doubt whether any evidence could be obtained in the case, that would make the refusal to accept an office, to which a member might be elected, a Masonic offense. The circumstances would have to be most extraordinary, and the proof more than ordinarily complete, and we have not found in the present case any evidence to substantiate such a charge.

We regret that in a comparatively short time two cases on trial have been brought before this Committee from the same Lodge, and we hope that the Brethren in that Lodge may find some proper and Masonic method of healing their troubles. The life of any Lodge should be longer than the lives of many generations, and we hope that, if the Grand Lodge adopts our recommendations, the Brethren of — Lodge, No. —, will discover a way among themselves to heal their internal troubles.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of L. C. W. from the action of — Lodge, No. —, be sustained, and that the record be restored to the Lodge for further proceeding in accordance with the above report.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

MURDOCH KENDRICK.



PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

In the matter of the appeal of F. H. R. from the action taken by Lodge No. —, on the report of a trial committee, the Committee on Appeals respectfully reports :

The record discloses that, by reason of notoriety in regard to certain alleged offenses committed by F. H. R., a member of Lodge No. —, the Worshipful Master appointed the Junior Warden to prefer charges against the said F. H. R. The Junior Warden submitted a report charging that :

1st. F. H. R. maintained improper relations from the Fall of 1907 to July, 1909, with a woman other than his wife, but not the wife of a Master Mason.

2d. F. H. R. left his wife and home, and eloped and subsequently lived with the married woman, in Washington and other cities.

3d. By reason of this conduct the husband of the other woman was granted an absolute divorce, on the grounds of adultery, by the Courts of Baltimore, Md.

A trial committee was appointed, and reported "not guilty" on the first specification ; "guilty" on the second specification ; "guilty" on the third specification ; and on the charge "guilty."

The evidence discloses that the accused was called, and testified that he had been living away from his home, on account of "a fancied grievance"; went to Baltimore, and from Baltimore to Washington, and that the "other woman" was in Baltimore and in Washington at the time he was, and that "he met her at the ferry in Brooklyn and left her there"; and that the accused subsequently went to Maine, returned to New York, and then went to Pittsburgh, and that the other woman "may have been in Pittsburgh the same time he was there"; but he denied, at any time having any improper relations with her.

There were also presented in evidence, letters which were



written by the accused, which could only be interpreted as an admission of the truth of the charges preferred against him ; a record of divorce proceedings, successfully terminated in favor of the other woman's husband, and based on the relations of the accused with her ; depositions from individuals corroborating the truth of the charges, and also copies of certain newspaper clippings, showing the elopement of the accused, which had created considerable scandal and notoriety, in the neighborhood in which he lived.

The report of the trial committee was approved, and its recommendation that the accused be suspended was adopted. It further appears from the record that prior to the charges being preferred, F. H. R. tendered his resignation as a member of Lodge No. —, and "he having paid his dues in compliance with the By-laws, it was on motion, resolved that the resignation be accepted" the same evening. Subsequently, and at the same meeting, this action was reconsidered and the resignation of the accused was laid over, in accordance with the By-laws.

The action on the above resignation was taken at the November meeting of 1909, and the charges were subsequently preferred at the April meeting of 1910.

This appeal was taken from the action of Lodge No. — suspending the accused, and is based upon (1) the action of the Lodge in reconsidering, after accepting, the resignation, (2) upon the admission of divorce proceedings, to which the accused was not a party, and (3) that the draft presented was not sufficient to justify the conclusions of the trial committee.

The By-law of Lodge No. —, relating to resignation in accordance with the resolution of Grand Lodge, adopted at its Quarterly Communication, June 4, 1884, is as follows :

"Any member wishing to resign from this Lodge, shall present his resignation in writing at a stated meeting. At the next succeeding stated meeting the resignation, subject to the provisions of Section 45, page 56, of the Ahiman Rezon, shall be accepted ; Provided, however, in case of an emergency, of which the Lodge shall be the judge, the resignation (subject as aforesaid) may be accepted at the meeting when it is offered."

It will be noted that there is nothing in the record to indicate any "emergency," nor do the minutes of the Lodge disclose that there was any emergency, or any request for immediate action made upon the ground of emergency. Therefore, it was entirely proper for the Lodge, at its same meeting, to correct the earlier improper action and rescind the resolution it had adopted.

The second ground on which the appellant bases his appeal, was the admission of the record in the divorce proceedings, but your Committee is of the opinion that even if this were error, there is sufficient in the record in this case, to justify the conclusions of the trial committee, without considering the divorce record. If its admission was improper, it could not, in view of all the other evidence in the case, have harmed the accused.

The third ground on which appellant bases his appeal, there was more than ample proof to convince the trial committee, that the accused was guilty as found by the trial committee, and any inclination there may have been on the part of the committee, to solve all doubts in his favor, was easily overcome by his evident evasion and palpable fabrication, in his vain efforts to escape the consequence of his acts. It is to be said, however, that since his suspension, the appellant has been forgiven, and is now living with and supporting his wife in a proper manner, and that he appears to be sincerely contrite. Not the least damaging of the testimony against him, were the admissions he made, in what seems like an earnest and honest effort, to admit his mistake and secure sympathy and aid from his friends for the future.

The charge preferred was the infraction of a statutory law. The incident became a matter of notoriety. It brought the Fraternity, as well as the guilty member, into ill repute. The Committee has no hesitancy in finding, that under such circumstances, the Lodge owes the duty both to itself as well as to the Fraternity, to make an example of the person responsible for such a result. In considering the importance of such action, we must bear in mind the effect upon the Fraternity, as well as upon the profane.

We find that the facts disclosed by the record justified the



action taken by Lodge No. —, and we hope that some time in the future, the Lodge will feel it proper to take such action, as will result in the restoration of the appellant to membership.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of F. H. R. from the action of Lodge No. —, be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

MURDOCH KENDRICK.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania.*

BRETHREN :

In the matter of the appeal of W. T. E. from the action of — Lodge, No. —, the Committee on Appeals respectfully reports :

Charges were preferred in — Lodge, No. —, by Brother W. T. E. against Brother D. B. S., of dishonesty toward R. H. R., a Brother Mason, in that the said D. B. S. had defrauded the said R. H. R. of various sums of money, between the years 1904 and 1910, specifying particularly, sums aggregating \$67.50; and referring for corroboration of the said charge, to other Master Masons and others not Masons.

The record shows that a warrant was issued before a Justice of the Peace, charging the accused, with others, with some crime, probably embezzlement, committed against R., who was a cousin of S.'s wife. Subsequently, the criminal charge against the accused was settled, and the matter dismissed by the Justice of the Peace; thereupon the appellant filed the charges herein referred to.

The charges were referred to a committee of — Lodge, which reported unanimously, "that a trial is not necessary or advisable," and offered the following resolution :



“That the grievance committee be discharged from further consideration of said charge,”

which resolution was unanimously adopted. Subsequently, an appeal was filed, and among other grounds for a reversal, was that the action so taken was in a Past Master's Lodge. No evidence was submitted by the accuser before the committee, nor at any time thereafter, and according to the irregular record, as prepared by the accuser and presented to the trial committee, no one appeared to substantiate the charges, or submitted evidence in support thereof. The facts appear to be, however, that the accused was arrested on some criminal charge which could be settled; that it was settled; and that when the committee, to whom the charges were referred, endeavored to seek evidence, they were unable to obtain it. For this reason the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

The more serious charge of the appellant, that the action was taken in a Past Master's Lodge, was not substantiated by any evidence, and is contradicted by the minutes of the Lodge.

For these reasons, your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the appeal of Brother W. T. E. from the action of Lodge No. —, be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

MURDOCH KENDRICK.

#### COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted their annual report (see Appendix), which was, on motion, referred to the Right Worshipful Grand Master, with power to print.

#### COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOMES.

The Committee on Masonic Homes made the following report, when on motion the resolution attached thereto was adopted :

The Committee on Masonic Homes offers the following as a supplement to its report filed at the Quarterly Communication, December 6th last.

The necessary additional construction, betterment and upkeep work on the Masonic Homes property at Elizabethtown for the year 1912, as estimated by the Committee and Engineers, is summarized as follows :

1st. A sewage disposal plant with the necessary pipe connections, with Grand Lodge Hall, and for future extensions as may be deemed necessary, to dispose of all sewage and waste originating in the Grand Lodge Hall and associated buildings, not over \$45,000.00.

2d. The extension of storm water underground terra cotta sewage system to connect with Conoy Creek, and dispose of all surface and storm water, not over \$5000.00.

3d. Additions and repairs to present farm buildings, dairy barn, piggery, fencing, etc., not over \$3000.00.

4th. Parking of grounds with trees and shrubbery to conform to planting plan of the Committee and the Landscape Artist, not over \$5000.00.

5th. Maintenance of guests—clothing, board, medical attendance, etc., \$12,000.00.

6th. Farm supplies and materials, salaries, wages, upkeep of property, insurance, taxes, clearing of timber land, etc., \$15,000.00.

7th. Grading of grounds and roads, to conform to plans of Architects and Engineer, \$4000.00.

8th. Fence around Reservoir, \$875.00.

9th. Furnishing of Grand Lodge Hall, \$30,000.00.

10th. Elevated Railroad siding to connect power plant with Pennsylvania Railroad automatic coal pockets, for delivery and storage of coal and removal of ashes, \$11,000.00.

The following resolution is submitted :

The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania hereby authorize and empower the Committee on Masonic Homes to execute contract for the completion of the necessary additional construction and betterment work, as suggested in the



foregoing statement, at the best obtainable prices after open competition, for all new construction, and according to their present system for improvement and upkeep work.

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
*Grand Master.*

WM. L. GORGAS,  
J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
LOUIS A. WATRES,  
GEO. B. ORLADY,  
JAMES B. KRAUSE,  
SPENCER C. GILBERT,  
DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD,  
JOHN D. GOFF.

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

### COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

The Committee on Library made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

Your Committee on Library has much pleasure in reporting that their work has been continued carefully and diligently during the past twelve months, and much material of interest and value has been added to the Library for the mental furniture of studious and scholarly Masons.

The past year has been a year of the conservation of the resources which the Grand Lodge owns, and the preparation of them for the higher education of our Brethren, who desire to be prepared for solid service, rather than in enlarging our collections, while we are so severely cramped for space.

So large are our collections of Masonic clothing, medals and marks, that we are declining duplicates and unwilling to allot our circumscribed space for anything save important relics, or missing links, to complete our historic collections. Rather than expend the money appropriated by the Grand Lodge, for other



than distinctly interesting and important pieces for the Library and Museum, we have permitted a part of our money to remain unused, in the hope that the Grand Lodge will come to our rescue when the time comes that we are looking for to obtain notable things of Masonic importance, the securing of which we have in mind.

In the past year we have added 1022 volumes to the Library.

We have bound 731 volumes of books and 54 volumes of periodicals, making the sum total of our book collection 11,127 volumes, exclusive of the 35,000 volumes of the Proceedings of the various Grand Masonic Bodies of the world.

The Reading Room is at this time more appreciated and used, than it was a year ago.

If the use of the Smoking Room could be assigned to us for a Reading Room, it would add to the dignity and usefulness of the Library corner.

The Museum has this year been enriched by 246 additions of gifts and through purchase—notably the Masonic medals of MOZART and GOETHE. A medal of the Gormagons of 1724 and a medal struck by the French Republic in commemoration of the separation of Church and State.

Fifteen hundred specimens of tokens have been received from the various Royal Arch Chapters in the United States, Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, New Foundland and elsewhere.

Everything is well under way for the publication of the History of Masonry of the Warranted Lodges of Pennsylvania, both Modern and Ancient, prior to 1800, which were for a time suffered to lapse, or which were merged with other Lodges, or which slept the sleep of death. The gathering up of the missing links and tracing accurately the steps and stops, and restoring the broken-down highroads of Masonry of the State, will be immensely interesting and valuable.

Though there has been a steady increase of visitors, travellers and tourists, to the extent of, say upwards of 20,000, including an increased attendance of our own members, there would be many more if space permitted a better arrangement of the treasures now owned by the Grand Lodge.

## RECEIPTS FROM SALES NOV. 15, 1910, TO NOV. 14, 1911.

Proceedings . . . . .	\$12.00
History No. 1 . . . . .	9.00
History No. 2 . . . . .	15.00
Carmick . . . . .	00.00
Anderson's Constitutions . . . . .	2.00
Dedication Volume . . . . .	5.00
Reprint Grand Lodge Minutes . . . . .	12.00
Albums of Masonic Matters . . . . .	245.36
Postal Cards . . . . .	11.75
Colored Pictures of the Interior and Exterior of our Temple . . . . .	153.14
	<u>\$465.25</u>
Cash paid to Grand Secretary . . . . .	\$445.75
Balance in Bank . . . . .	<u>19.50</u>
	<u><u>\$465.25</u></u>

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FROM NOV. 15, 1910, TO NOV.  
15, 1911.

Salaries . . . . .	\$4,689.25
Reprint . . . . .	501.50
Periodicals . . . . .	74.59
Binding Periodicals . . . . .	211.03
Binding . . . . .	689.79
New Books . . . . .	394.58
Antiquities . . . . .	816.55
Cataloguing . . . . .	764.84
Stationery and Printing . . . . .	140.64
Telephone . . . . .	78.75
Express . . . . .	6.31
Postage . . . . .	106.00
Petty Cash . . . . .	79.15
Miscellaneous . . . . .	109.70
	<u>\$8,662.68</u>

In conclusion, Right Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren, your Committee desire to state, that it is their unani-

mous opinion, that the work of your Committee should now be directed to a careful search throughout the Old World, for important Masonic relics, records and publications, miniatures, paintings, silver and gold plate in possession of royalty and other private collectors, and secure such by purchase for the enhancement of our already highly interesting and valuable collections.

JOHN WANAMAKER,  
*Chairman,*

I. LAYTON REGISTER,  
SAMUEL W. LATTA,  
JOHN L. KINSEY,  
HARMAN YERKES,  
NORRIS S. BARRATT,  
CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 27, 1911.

## ALMONERS OF THE GRAND LODGE CHARITY FUND.

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund present their annual report, as follows :

### AMOUNT OF THE FUND FOR THE YEAR 1911.

Appropriation to Class 1	.	.	.	\$2,200.00	
Appropriation to Class 2	.	.	.	1,900.00	
Appropriation to Class 3	.	.	.	1,800.00	
Appropriation to Class 4	.	.	.	<u>2,200.00</u>	\$8,100.00



They have received and favorably acted upon 723 applications, representing the following Jurisdictions :

Pennsylvania . . .	667	Ohio . . . . .	4
Delaware . . . . .	19	Arkansas . . . . .	3
New Jersey . . . . .	9	Illinois . . . . .	3
New York . . . . .	5	Virginia . . . . .	3
North Carolina . . . . .	5	California . . . . .	1
South Carolina . . . . .	1	Scotland . . . . .	3
Total . . . . .			723

Amount granted to 723 applicants . . . . . \$7,505.00

Leaving a balance of . . . . . 595.00

During this year, your Board has lost by death three members :

Past Master Brother FRANK M. HIGHLEY, Lodge No. 402,

Past Master Brother WILLIAM STEFFE, Lodge No. 436,

Past Master Brother EDWARD E. HARDING, Lodge No. 646.

This Board is doing good work, and is worthy of the liberal support of the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

AMOS H. HALL,  
*President.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

# STEWARDS OF THE STEPHEN GIRARD CHARITY FUND.

The Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed :

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Stewards of the Stephen Girard Charity Fund present the following report for the year ending December 27, 1911.

Balance on hand, December 27, 1910 . . .	\$90.00
Appropriated to Class No. 1 . . .	800.00
Appropriated to Class No. 2 . . .	600.00
Appropriated to Class No. 3 . . .	600.00
Appropriated to Class No. 4 . . .	800.00
Returned to Fund by former recipient . . .	10.00
Total . . .	<u>\$2,900.00</u>

The Board of Stewards granted relief to  
129 applicants who were found worthy  
as follows, to wit :

126 from Pennsylvania . . .	\$2,745.00
1 from Cuba . . .	20.00
2 from Scotland . . .	40.00
Total . . .	<u>\$2,805.00</u>
Balance on hand December 27, 1911 . . .	<u>\$95.00</u>

During the year the Board has lost by death :

Brother I. NEWTON ROBERTS, Past Master of Lodge  
No. 130, and

Brother EDWARD L. PERKINS, Past Master of Lodge  
No. 444.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY K. LEECH,  
*President of Stewards.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.

**BURSARS OF THE THOMAS R. PATTON  
MEMORIAL CHARITY FUND.**

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund made the following report, which was ordered to be entered and filed:

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted  
Masons of Pennsylvania :*

**BRETHREN :**

The Bursars of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund report that during the past year the following amounts have been received and disbursed to the persons entitled to the benefits of this fund :

**RECEIPTS.**

Balance from 1910	.	.	.	.	\$672.00	
Appropriation, 1911	.	.	.	.	<u>3,500.00</u>	\$4,172.00

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

Class No. 1 to 114 applicants	.	.		\$931.00	
Class No. 2 to 123 applicants	.	.		990.00	
Class No. 3 to 125 applicants	.	.		1,004.00	
Class No. 4 to <u>130</u> applicants	.	.		<u>1,044.00</u>	
Total to 492 applicants	.	.		\$3,969.00	
Balance to 1912	.	.	.	<u>203.00</u>	<u>\$4,172.00</u>

During the past year this Board has lost by death :

Brother SAMUEL ABEL, Past Master of Lodge No. 211, a most earnest and faithful member for more than ten years.

Fraternally submitted,

J. PARKER CRITTENDEN,  
*President of the Board of Bursars.*

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1911.



## AMENDMENTS TO AHIMAN REZON.

The Committee on Finance offered the following proposed Amendment to the Ahiman Rezon, which was laid over until the Quarterly Communication, to be held in December next, in accordance with the Ahiman Rezon.

*To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania :*

BRETHREN :

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the question of the fees collected by District Deputy Grand Masters and the deposit of the funds of Grand Lodge by the Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.

The District Deputy Grand Masters collect about Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) per year, but they are not required to make returns to the Grand Secretary except once a year and at the close of the year. Grand Lodge will need all the ready money at its command during the next few years, and there seems no good reason why moneys owing to it should not be returned quarterly.

The Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer is now, by the Ahiman Rezon, limited to depositing his moneys in one bank. He frequently carries large balances and has always several accounts. There would seem to be no reason why Grand Lodge should not name several strong banks and trust companies in which its moneys may be deposited.

To cover these two questions the members of the Committee on Finance, as members of Grand Lodge, move the amendment of the Ahiman Rezon as follows :

*Resolved*, That Article XII, Section 8, page 22, of the Ahiman Rezon, under title "Grand Treasurer," which now reads in part: "He shall open an account as Grand Treasurer, in one of the incorporated banking institutions of Philadelphia, to be designated by the Grand Lodge, through which all moneys received and paid by him, on account of the Grand Lodge, shall pass," be amended so that it shall read :

“He shall open an account as Grand Treasurer, in one or more of the banks or trust companies of Philadelphia, to be designated by Grand Lodge, through which all moneys received and paid by him, on account of the Grand Lodge, shall pass.”

And on page 25, under title “District Deputy Grand Masters,” amend Article XII, Sec. 11, lines 15 and 16, by striking out the word “annually” and inserting the word “quarterly,” so that the paragraph in the section which is amended, shall read: “He shall account for and pay over quarterly to the Grand Secretary, all moneys received by him on account of the Grand Lodge.”

ABRAHAM M. BEITLER,  
HENRY E. TRIPLER,  
CHARLES F. WIGNALL,  
*Committee on Finance.*

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY offered the following proposed Amendment to the Ahiman Rezon, which was laid over until the Quarterly Communication, to be held in December next, in accordance with the Ahiman Rezon :

*Resolved*, That Article X of the Ahiman Rezon (page 17) entitled “Revenue of the Grand Lodge,” be amended, by adding thereto to Section one (1), a new paragraph as follows :

7. A special fee of one dollar (\$1) shall be collected from each member annually, by the Subordinate Lodges, as are the other fees and dues of the Grand Lodge, and remitted to the Grand Secretary and by that officer paid to the Grand Treasurer. All such fees shall be accounted for in a special fund, to be known as “The Masonic Homes Loan Redemption Fund,” and shall be paid by the Grand Treasurer, once a month, to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for investment in the loans of the Grand Lodge, or in securities recognized by the laws of this Commonwealth as legal investments of money by executors, administrators, guardians, or other trustees.

Said fund and increase thereof, shall be applied exclusively to the payment and redemption of Masonic Home loans and in-



debtedness of the Grand Lodge, until the entire amount thereof shall be fully paid, when, upon the certificate of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund that all such loans and indebtedness have been fully paid, the Grand Master shall order and direct that such fees and dues shall be no longer charged or collected.

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother JOHN A. PERRY offered the following proposed Amendment to the Ahiman Rezon, which was laid over until the Quarterly Communication to be held in December next, in accordance with the Ahiman Rezon.

*Resolved*, That Article XII, Section 9, page 25, of the Ahiman Rezon be amended by striking out of the first and second lines the words and figures, "9 to 3 o'clock in the daytime and from 6 to 8 o'clock in the evening," and insert in lieu thereof the words and figures, "9 A.M. to 5 o'clock P.M., except Saturdays, which shall be from 9 A.M. to 12 o'clock M.," so that that part of the Section as amended shall read :

"The office of the Grand Secretary shall be kept open from 9 A.M. to 5 o'clock P.M., except Saturdays, which shall be from 9 A.M. to 12 o'clock M."

Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Senior Grand Deacon, offered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania approve the general purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, to erect at Alexandria, Virginia, a memorial to our Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON, who was an honorary member of a Lodge under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania ;

*Resolved*, That the Right Worshipful Grand Master be authorized to appoint a Representative to said Association ; and

*Resolved*, That One Hundred Dollars be appropriated towards the necessary expenses of the Association, so that all donations may be devoted to the purposes to which they are given.



## ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

*Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

In submitting to you this report of my stewardship and of the uses made by me of the great powers which you have committed to me, I desire to call particular attention to some incidents which seem to me of special importance.

In the late political campaign, some members of the Fraternity, forgetful of their obligations, attempted to make use of their Masonic connection to promote their political interests.

In some of the cases, the candidates advertised their membership in Symbolic Lodges and in other Masonic bodies, in circulars which they themselves distributed to the public; in others, while the advertisement was as objectionable in form, the candidates gave me their personal assurance that the publication was made by their supporters, without their knowledge or authority.

In one case in Susquehanna County, and in another in Berks County, the candidates issued and distributed printed circulars, in which the names, addresses, and locations of the various Masonic bodies to which they belonged, were fully recited.

When these circulars were called to my attention, I notified the candidates that they must be immediately recalled, and instructed the District Deputy Grand Masters in the respective Counties to visit each Lodge under their jurisdiction, and instruct the Brethren that such conduct was un-Masonic and deserved the condemnation of every sincere Mason.

Almost immediately after this occurrence, my attention

was called to publications in three papers in the City of Philadelphia, in which in different articles recommending certain candidates to support, their Masonic connections, were set forth at length.

One of these publications was in a "Masonic" paper, in which a whole page was devoted to the advocacy of the interest of a certain candidate, his Masonic relations and character being specially dwelt upon.

The others, in two papers, both published in West Philadelphia, were equally objectionable.

Any member of the Fraternity whose Masonry is more than a name, knows that such conduct as this is un-Masonic.

It is not permissible for a Mason to use his Masonic membership to promote his personal interests either in business or in politics.

A Brother convicted on a charge of attempting to use the Fraternity for any such purposes could, and should, be expelled from Masonry; and every earnest, faithful Mason should show his condemnation of such conduct by every means in his power.

We cannot be too vigilant and severe in checking such attempts to use the Fraternity improperly.

If we permit the Fraternity to be used for any selfish purposes, particularly if we permit it to be dragged into the bitterness of partisan politics, we invite the condemnation of all right-thinking men.

To permit such actions to go unrebuked, will furnish a precedent for further abuses, and will inevitably do more to injure our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity, than years of faithful and unselfish devotion can rectify.

When the improper act is done by unwise supporters, without the personal knowledge or consent of the candidate, of course, he cannot be held personally responsible; but it is his duty promptly to repudiate the action, so that the guilty parties, if Masons, shall receive the punishment which their offense deserves.



Once before, a single individual was guilty of a similar offense. Right Worshipful Grand Master HENDERSON denounced it as an attempt to use Masonry "*for base purposes*," and expressed an earnest wish for the wrongdoer's defeat, as a punishment for his "*unmasonic conduct*"—a wish which, I believe, every right-minded Mason will repeat whenever such an offense is committed.

A short time ago, my attention was called to the fact that the affairs of one of the Lodges meeting in this Temple were in very bad condition. The peace and harmony which should prevail among Brethren, had entirely disappeared. The meetings were characterized by the grossest recriminations; and on at least one occasion the conduct of the members was disorderly; so much so, that the Master would have been justified in taking possession of the Warrant and closing the Lodge.

The main cause of the trouble was the black ball. Several petitioners had been rejected; their friends were very bitter and resentful, and had resorted to various expedients to expose the Brother who had cast the black ball.

The condition was so serious—threatening, as it did, the very life of a Lodge with a long and honorable record, and endangering the good Masonic standing of many innocent Brethren—that I felt compelled to visit the Lodge, and give to its various officers and members a fraternal warning.

I am informed that the visitation has produced the effect which I desired, and that peace is restored.

The Brethren must understand that a secret ballot is one of the unchangeable Landmarks of the Fraternity.

Every Brother has the right to cast a black ball, and it is his duty to do so whenever, after proper inquiry, he is satisfied that a petitioner is unworthy.

If a Brother casts a black ball from an unworthy and un-Masonic motive, he is guilty of gross un-Masonic conduct, but he is not answerable to any human jurisdiction for his action.



He must answer to his own conscience, but not to the Lodge, unless he voluntarily discloses the fact and reveals his reasons.

No one has the right to try to invade the secrecy of the ballot in any manner or by any device whatever; nor should a Brother be permitted to indulge in any attacks upon a supposed user of the black ball.

The secret ballot is one of the great safeguards of Freemasonry. It may at times be misused; but I believe that as much, if not more, harm has been done in the past by the careless and ill-advised use of the white ball than by the improper use of the black ball.

However that may be, the Landmarks of the Fraternity must be observed, and all attempts to invade the secrecy of the ballot, or to intimidate the Brethren in the use of the black ball, must be restrained, and if necessary punished, in the future as they have been in the past.

I have been frequently asked whether or not the Master of a Lodge has the right to excuse a Brother from balloting on a petitioner.

The Master has the power to excuse a Brother from balloting when a proper reason is given to him; but when he has reason to believe that the application is due to a desire to invade the secrecy of the ballot in the slightest degree, or will have a tendency to produce such a result, it must be refused.

In this connection, I desire to call your attention to a decision in relation to the failure of a Committee of Inquiry on a petition to report within four months.

On January 12, 1899, Right Worshipful Grand Master WILLIAMS decided that such failure rendered the proceeding null and void.

Assuming that this meant that such failure rendered the whole proceeding, including the petition itself, null and void, friends of petitioners to whom it was known that there was objection, have induced Committees of Inquiry to with-

hold their reports, in order to avoid an unfavorable one, and so free the petitioner from the jurisdiction of the Lodge to which he had applied.

This practice was improper.

To correct this practice, I issued a Circular Letter of Instructions to the Lodges, a copy of which I submit herewith for your information.

*To the Worshipful Master, Officers and Brethren of the Lodge:*

On December 13th, A.D. 1898, Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY decided that the failure of a Committee of Inquiry to report on a petition for membership, or for initiation and membership, within four (4) months after the presentation of the same to a Lodge, was not equivalent to a rejection, as had been previously decided, which decision was, on January 12th, A.D. 1899, approved by Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother HENRY W. WILLIAMS.

Following these decisions, there has grown up among the Lodges a practice of treating the petition itself, as well as the subsequent proceedings, null and void, whenever a Committee of Inquiry fails for any reason to report within four (4) months after its appointment.

This practice nullifies a positive mandate of the Ahiman Rezon, and is incompatible with other decisions, detrimental to the best interests of the Craft, and must be discontinued.

I am informed that Committees of Inquiry have purposely withheld their reports to Lodges, in order to avoid the necessity of reporting unfavorably, or to prevent the rejection of unworthy petitioners.

It is the duty of the Master to see that the Committee of Inquiry properly performs the duty for which it was appointed, and makes its report to the Lodge within the time fixed by the Ahiman Rezon.



“ If any member of a Committee refuses or fails to act,” it is the Master’s duty, under Section 2 of Article XXI, of the Ahiman Rezon (page 62), to appoint another member in his place.

Should the failure or refusal not be discovered until after the expiration of the four (4) months, the Master must thereupon publicly revoke the appointment, cause the petition to be again read in the Lodge, appoint a new Committee and proceed anew, according to the provisions of the Ahiman Rezon.

It is un-Masonic conduct for a Committee to fail to report within four (4) months after its appointment. Any member who, for any proper reason, is unable, or unwilling, to perform the duty imposed upon him, may be excused by the Master; but if he remains on the Committee he must perform his duty according to the Ahiman Rezon.

If the Committee fails to perform its duty and report within four (4) months after its appointment, without being excused, or, if any officer withholds from the Lodge a report after the Committee has performed its duty, it will be the duty of the Master, at once, to cause charges to be preferred against the delinquent, or delinquents, for their un-Masonic conduct; otherwise, he will be held personally responsible and punished.

The Ahiman Rezon expressly provides, that a petition for initiation and membership cannot be withdrawn until after a favorable report, and then only with the consent of a majority of the members present.

That which cannot be done openly and directly, cannot be accomplished by a trick. The failure of a Committee of Inquiry to perform its duty and report within four (4) months, cannot deprive the Lodge of its control of the petition, or the Craft of the protection for which that control was provided.

The failure of the Committee to report within the time prescribed, renders its appointment and all subsequent pro-



ceedings null and void; but the petition and the Lodge's jurisdiction and control over it, still remain in full force and effect.

If a petitioner dies, or removes from the residence given in his petition after it has been presented to the Lodge, thereby making it impossible for the Committee to call on him and perform its duty, that fact should be reported to the Lodge, entered in the minutes and reported immediately to the Grand Secretary.

This letter is to be read at the next stated meeting of the Lodge and copied in full in the minutes.

Witness my hand and seal, this 20th day of September, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911.

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,  
*Grand Master.*

Complaint was made to me that one or more of the Lodges in Harrisburg made a practice of receiving and acting on petitions for Initiation and Membership from persons in the various State departments there, and temporarily domiciled there, but who had not given up their residence in the communities from which they had been appointed.

I am glad to say that an investigation has satisfied me that the complaint was not well founded. In one case, this was done through a mistake on the part of both the officers of the Lodge and the petitioner, and due steps will be taken to have the irregularity healed.

The officers of the Lodges are well informed as to their duty, and seem to be careful in their observance of it.

Like the black ball, the Committee of Inquiry is intended to aid in protecting the Fraternity from the intrusion of persons unfit to be made Masons. They should discharge this important duty imposed upon them with strict impersonality, but also with strict regard for the interest of the Lodge and the whole Fraternity.

In one instance which has been brought to my attention, a petitioner whose real occupation was "selling policy" whenever the acquiescence of a complaisant police could be obtained, presented to a Lodge a petition for initiation and membership, in which he stated an occupation entirely legal and proper.

The Committee failed to discover the imposition, and the members of the Lodge, not recognizing the petitioner under this false designation, approved the petition, and he received his first degree before his true character was known.

Objection to his further advancement was immediately made to me. On inquiry, I found that those who knew the man's real character were willing to appear before me and give their evidence, but absolutely refused to testify under circumstances when their action could become known to others, because they were convinced that to do so would subject them to persecution.

After careful investigation I was satisfied from the positive evidence submitted to me that the petitioner at the time he was received was not under the tongue of good Masonic report, and that the approval of his petition was obtained by a gross imposition practiced on the Lodge; and I thereupon made a decree that his approval and initiation being procured by fraud were null and void, and ordered that his name should be erased from the roll of membership of the Lodge.

This case illustrates the vital importance of the secret ballot and the close performance of the duty of the Committee of Inquiry.

No action has yet been taken on the application of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico to this Grand Lodge for fraternal recognition. It was referred to the Committee on Landmarks and the Committee on Correspondence jointly, but I have thought it advisable to wait until further in-



formation has been obtained, before calling those Committees together for consideration of this important matter.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Nebraska has written to me concerning a Lodge in this State, which he has been informed failed to respond in any way to the fraternal assistance which Minnickadusa Lodge, No. 192, F. and A. M., under his Jurisdiction, extended to the family of a member of our Lodge who had died there. I have written for an explanation, and hope and believe that a satisfactory one will be forthcoming. I have not yet had time for an answer.

On Washington's Birthday, Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, of Maryland, was elected President, and our Senior Grand Deacon, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, who was present as the personal representative of your Grand Master, was elected First Vice-President of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, the purpose of which is to erect a National Masonic Memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason, at Alexandria, Virginia, the location of the Lodge of which he was a member, and which was first constituted under a Warrant granted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Brother SHRYOCK informs me that many Grand Lodges have already joined the Association, and asks us to do the same.

The purpose of the Association is one which appeals to us with peculiar force, owing to WASHINGTON's Masonic connection with us. I can see no Masonic objection to the Grand Lodge joining this Association, and the action you have just taken meets my cordial approval. The annual membership fee is \$100.

Nearly a year ago, complaint was made to me that one S. C., being at the time a citizen and resident of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, presented his petition for initiation and membership to Griffin Lodge, No. 413, F. and A. M., at Griffin, Georgia, where his petition was approved, and he was entered, passed and raised to the degree of Master Mason.



Upon inquiry from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Georgia, he informed me that he had investigated the matter, and found the complaint to be true.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master further said: "The excuse of Griffin Lodge is that C. was a traveling man, and they thought that gave them jurisdiction, which, of course, it did not. I am willing to make any apology and require Griffin Lodge to do so in any manner you suggest. I regret it more than I can express."

After careful consideration of the evidence which has been submitted to me, I am satisfied that at the time that Mr. C. presented his petition to Griffin Lodge, No. 413, F. and A. M., of Griffin, Georgia, for initiation and membership, he was, and that he has since continued to be, a citizen and resident of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

In view of this, I have issued an edict that the action of Griffin Lodge, No. 413, F. and A. M., of Griffin, Georgia, in entering, passing, and raising the said S. C. to the degree of Master Mason was null and void, and have prohibited recognition of the said S. C. by any Lodge in this Jurisdiction, and communicated my action to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Georgia, with the assurance of my appreciation of his fraternal recognition of the rights of this Jurisdiction.

Under date of December 4, 1911, I received from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Illinois a request for a statement of the rule in this Jurisdiction in regard to a petition for initiation and membership which had been presented to "Star in the East" Lodge, No. 166, A. F. and A. M. of Illinois.

It appears that the petitioner formerly resided with his parents in Pennsylvania; that in 1907, being a minor, he went to Chicago for the purpose of studying medicine at a medical school there, but his parents continued to reside in Pennsylvania; that he attained his majority on March 1, 1911, and on March 20, 1911, presented a petition for

initiation and membership to Lodge No. 265, F. and A. M., of Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, where his parents then resided, in which he stated that Bloomsburg was his place of residence. The Committee of Inquiry appointed upon his petition reported that they had attended to their duty and found the petitioner unworthy of having his petition approved, and the petition was thereupon rejected.

The petitioner now claims that he had voted in Chicago after attaining his majority, and before he presented his petition to Washington Lodge, and that therefore his petition to Washington Lodge was irregular and that the action of that Lodge should be declared null and void, and that he should be permitted to now petition "Star in the East" Lodge, No. 166, at Rockford, Illinois.

I informed the Most Worshipful Grand Master that in my opinion the petitioner, having while a minor gone to Chicago as a student, his parents still retaining their residence in Pennsylvania, did not thereby change his domicile; and that having immediately after attaining his majority asserted that the home of his parents was his residence, and thereupon petitioned a Lodge there for initiation and membership (concealing the vote which he now asserts he had cast in Chicago), he cannot now be permitted to assert that his action was a fraud, based upon a lie, and thereby escape the consequences of the judgment to which he himself appealed.

I am in receipt of a letter from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Illinois expressing his entire concurrence in my ruling, saying that he had himself taken the same position in a similar case which had arisen in his Jurisdiction.

Some time since, Roy Graham Clough, a resident of Pennsylvania, went to Texas intending to enter into business there and make that State his permanent residence. In due time, he presented his petition for initiation and member-



ship to a Lodge there. It was duly approved, and he received the first degree in Freemasonry. Almost immediately after receiving his Entered Apprentice degree, his employers recalled him to Pennsylvania, where he is now residing and expects to remain permanently.

The exigencies of his business prevented him from waiting to be passed and raised in the Lodge in Texas, and he now desires to unite himself with a Lodge at his present place of residence, and receive the degrees of Fellowcraft and Master Mason.

On sending his resignation to the Texas Lodge, he was informed by the officers of that Body that it could not be accepted, as, under the laws of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts are not considered members of the Lodge in which they received these degrees; that they did not become members of the Lodge until they had received the degree of Master Mason therein, and that therefore the Brother was free to present a petition as an Entered Apprentice Mason in any Lodge having jurisdiction over him.

On inquiry from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Texas, he informed me that according to their laws the proper mode of procedure was for the Brother Entered Apprentice Mason to present his petition as an Entered Apprentice Mason wherever he saw fit to do so; the Lodge receiving the petition should thereupon inquire of the Lodge in which he had received his Entered Apprentice degree in Texas for a waiver of jurisdiction, which he had no doubt would be granted and would sever all connection with that Lodge. I have instructed the Lodge to proceed in accordance with this advice.

I have already informed you of my action in contributing the sum of \$500 from the Emergency Relief Fund, for the immediate assistance of the sufferers from the disaster at Austin.



I am in receipt of a letter from District Deputy Grand Master Brother EDGAR W. ROBINSON, in which he says:

“I have gone over the list of our needy Brethren at Austin with one of the old Past Masters. I think we could use \$500 to good advantage by giving it to a few of the more needy ones, those with large families and the older ones whose earning capacity is small.”

As you know, this was a most disastrous occurrence. The loss of life was very large considering the size of the community, and the destruction of property almost complete.

I therefore recommend that the present request be complied with, and that the \$500 additional asked for be forwarded to District Deputy Grand Master ROBINSON in accordance with his request.

I desire again to refer to the loss sustained by this Grand Lodge in the death of the late Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Brother WILLIAM A. SINN, and my deep appreciation of the service which he rendered to the Fraternity in his lifetime.

My action in appointing Brother JOHN A. PERRY Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother WILLIAM A. SINN has already been reported to you, and entered on the minutes of the Grand Lodge. To-day Brother PERRY, having been elected to the office by you and duly installed, will enter upon his duties as an elected officer.

The report of the Committee on Masonic Homes read at our December Communication, gave a full and complete account of the progress of the work at Elizabethtown. I am glad to inform you that satisfactory progress is still being made.

In celebrating the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Independence of this Grand Lodge, it seemed to me that we could do nothing which would more appropriately commemorate for all time, our gratitude to the

Great Architect of the Universe, for all the blessings which we and our predecessors have received from His hands, than to lay the foundation of the first building to be erected in this great work, in the hope that it might stand for generations as a memorial of our gratitude and an evidence of our appreciation of the duty which rests upon us, to extend to those in suffering or distress the helpful hand of a Brother.

Accordingly, on September 26th last, accompanied by the Grand Lodge Officers and a large number of enthusiastic and devoted Brethren, I went to Elizabethtown, and there laid the corner-stone of that building, with the ceremonies prescribed by our Ancient Usages.

The work on the building and grounds has been, and is being, pushed with all diligence and speed consistent with careful inspection and good workmanship. We hope that, before another Masonic year has passed, this building will be finished, equipped, and furnished ready for the occupancy of those for whose use and benefit it is designed; and that before it is finished, other buildings inspired by the same spirit and promoted by the desire of Lodges and Brethren throughout the State to have a specific share in this work, will be under way, to enable us to receive and relieve all who have a right to call upon us, and so discharge in the best manner and to the fullest extent that moral duty of brotherly love and kindness which rests upon us.

The other ceremonies in celebrating this Anniversary, both in Philadelphia and throughout the State, gave expression to the loyalty and devotion of the Brethren to their Grand Lodge.

An account of the Divine Service held on Sunday, September 24th, at Christ Church, Philadelphia, of the Special Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in the Temple on September 25th, and of the ceremonies of the laying of the corner-stone of the Grand Lodge Hall at Elizabethtown, will be printed in book form, for the use of the Fraternity.

In addition to these ceremonies, the Brethren in the



various Masonic centers throughout the State held meetings in commemoration of the Anniversary, which were largely attended, and at which many interesting and instructive addresses were delivered.

These celebrations will undoubtedly serve to increase the enthusiasm of the Brethren and their devotion to our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity, by keeping alive in their minds the history of the services which it has already rendered to humanity and the opportunities which it affords to all who desire to share in that work.

Immediately after laying the corner-stone of Grand Lodge Hall at Elizabethtown, with the assistance of the Grand Lodge Officers, I laid the corner-stone of the Blair County Memorial, which the Brethren of Blair County are erecting at that same place.

Of the first issue of bonds (Series A) authorized to be issued to provide money to carry on the work at Elizabethtown, \$158,900 have already been sold to various Grand Lodge Trusts, Masonic bodies, and Brethren throughout the State, as follows:

109 Bonds, Nos. 1 to 109, both inclusive, for \$100 each.....	\$10,900
46 Bonds, Nos. 1 to 46, both inclusive, for 500 each.....	23,000
125 Bonds, Nos. 1 to 125, both inclusive, for 1,000 each .....	125,000
Total.....	<u>\$158,900</u>

The number of \$100 bonds sold shows that those who cannot advance large sums, are still willing to contribute to the best of their ability.

I am glad to inform you that the Lodges in Allegheny and Philadelphia Counties are making arrangements to follow those in Lancaster and Blair Counties in contributing to this great Masonic work, and I hope that the buildings which they propose to erect will be under way in a short time.

The splendid contribution from the Brethren of Lancaster County to the water-works, without which the Home



could not be erected or maintained, will be a perpetual memorial to their love for their Brethren.

Brother WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, the Instructor of the Temple School of Instruction, reports that during this year he has given instruction to 2256 Brethren, representing 234 Lodges.

In addition to this, at the request of the various District Deputy Grand Masters, and with my approval, he visited Scranton for the purpose of instructing the officers of the School of Instruction about to be established there, and Towanda, Wellsboro, Allentown, and Johnstown, for the instruction of the officers and Brethren of the Lodges at those places.

Two new Schools of Instruction have been established this year, one at Scranton and one at Lancaster. These and the Schools previously established have been largely attended; it is impossible to overestimate the advantage the Brethren have received from them.

The stated meetings of Catawissa Lodge, No. 349, F. and A. M., are held on Tuesdays before full moon. The last full moon occurred on December 5th, and the next will occur on January 4th.

The officers were misled by a calendar which they consulted, into the belief that the full moon would occur on January 2d, and issued notices for their stated meeting for December 26th (the Tuesday before), at which time they proposed to elect and install their officers for the ensuing Masonic year.

Having discovered their mistake, they applied to me for a Dispensation to call a special meeting on December 26th to hold an election and install their officers.

The Ahiman Rezon authorizes a Dispensation to hold a "*special election*," in default of an election at the proper time; but there is no authority to grant a Dispensation for a special meeting to hold such election—the presumption is that it must be held at a stated meeting.

When the application was received, there was no time or opportunity for a careful consideration of the rules; I therefore instructed them to hold the meeting on December 26th, as scheduled; stating, however, that this order was not to be considered as a final decision, but made merely to preserve the rights of the Lodge, in case a favorable decision should hereafter be made on their application.

This will leave the question open for my successor to decide, after full hearing and consideration, without any embarrassment from a hasty decision by me.

In addition to those hereinbefore recited at length, I have during the year rendered the following

#### DECISIONS:

The petition for initiation and membership of one who states therein that he has "no particular place of residence," must not be received by a Lodge. The Ahiman Rezon requires that he shall set forth his residence in his petition, and also requires that the Committee of Inquiry "shall make diligent and careful inquiry as to all matters which pertain to the character and residence of a petitioner;" and, further, that if a petition is received by a Lodge other than that which is nearest to the place of residence of the petitioner, the Lodge receiving the petition shall not act on it until they have made inquiry of the Lodge nearest such place.

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A petitioner who after the approval of his petition lost the forefinger of his left hand cannot be initiated.

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An Entered Apprentice Mason who has been so maimed as to be unable to perform the work of a Fellowcraft Mason is incapable of advancement.



When the Secretary of a Lodge moves out of the Jurisdiction, it is the duty of the Master to declare the office vacant.

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When a member has been made a Life Member of the Lodge and exempted from all dues, in accordance with the By-laws, he cannot be again subjected to the payment of dues without his full and free consent. The faith of a Lodge once plighted cannot be recalled.

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A member of a Lodge cannot be made a Life Member and exempted from dues, except when authorized by and in accordance with its By-laws.

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The Master of a Lodge, having permitted the withdrawal of a petition for initiation and membership without a favorable report from the Committee on Inquiry, was ordered to declare the action null and void, and to have the petitioner's name, etc., placed on the notices for the next stated meeting, and at that meeting to act thereon according to the requirements of the Ahiman Rezon.

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A member having been suspended by the Lodge for non-payment of dues, it is not proper for the Secretary to replace his name on the list of members on his assumption that the action of the Lodge was irregular.

The action of the Lodge must stand until set aside by the proper Masonic authority.

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Various Brethren were crafted and raised in Lodge No. 9, without a Dispensation, before a full Masonic month had elapsed since they had received the preceding degree.



Upon request of the Lodge, by motion introduced at one stated meeting and laid over and passed at the subsequent stated meeting, after notice, I healed the irregularity.

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A petitioner, being a resident of this Jurisdiction, presented his petition to a Lodge in Maryland; upon inquiry, the Lodge nearest his place of residence replied that there was Masonic objection, and his petition was therefore rejected; held: that if he desired to present a second petition, he must do so to the Lodge in Maryland to which his first petition was presented.

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Healed the action of Lodge No. 641 in approving and initiating a petitioner without inquiry of and reply from the Grand Secretary.

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Decided that the rejection of a petitioner by oral objection before a ballot was irregular.

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The Secretary having made a mistake in printing the name of a petitioner in the notices to the members, I set aside the approval of the petition, and ordered that a new ballot should be had, after due notice to the members.

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The Secretary of a Lodge, on receipt by him of a petition from a petitioner residing nearest another Lodge, himself sent to such Lodge the customary inquiry. The petition not having been presented to the Lodge at the time this inquiry was made, I set aside the proceeding, and directed that a new inquiry should be made in due form, after the petition had been presented to the Lodge.

Set aside the approval of a petition for initiation and membership at a special meeting and reprimanded the Master for permitting such action, directing that the reprimand should be read to the Lodge, and entered on its minutes.

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In several cases, the Secretaries of Lodges, in making inquiry from the Grand Secretary as to whether there was anything on the record against the petitioners, gave the names incorrectly.

It being shown to me that the names were correctly stated in the notices to the members, and that there was nothing against them on the record in the Grand Secretary's office, I healed the action, having first required each Lodge to pass a resolution setting forth the facts and requesting such action.

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Decided that a Lodge in this Jurisdiction could not receive and act upon a petition for initiation and membership from a Hindoo, a native and resident of India, and who is in this country temporarily as a student and intends to return to India on completion of his studies, without obtaining a surrender of jurisdiction from the proper Masonic authorities at his place of residence.

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Held that the Auditing Committee of a Lodge must not meet for the object of its appointment in a saloon, restaurant, or place of like character. Such a Committee is, in a measure, a part of the Lodge.

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Removed Lodges Nos. 286 and 398 from District No. 42, and placed them in District No. 1.

The Trustees of a Lodge, elected by the Lodge, under a By-law, must act as a body. No single Trustee has the right to invest money or do any other business requiring discretion; every such act must be authorized either by all the Trustees, or by a majority, at a meeting called for the purpose, of which each Trustee had sufficient notice.

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A Dispensation from the Grand Master is not issued for a Lodge to hold a special election for one or more Trustees to fill vacancies, but due and timely notice must be given to all the members of the stated meeting at which such election will be held.

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All business of a Lodge must be transacted in a Lodge of Master Masons at a stated meeting thereof.

Therefore the receipt of a Dispensation to Pass to the Chair must be presented, and the motion to act upon it, must be adopted or rejected, at a stated meeting of the Lodge, and not at a special meeting.

The actual work of Passing to the Chair may be done at that stated, or any subsequent, meeting, either stated or special.

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The use of chain-letters by Lodges or individual members of the Fraternity, is positively prohibited, no matter what the purpose.

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The advancement of an Entered Apprentice Mason cannot be prevented by an objection. After a Brother has received that degree, his advancement can be prevented only by charges, on which he is entitled to a trial.



A Lodge may not, by the adoption of a resolution, set aside any provision of its By-laws.

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A second ballot is not permitted on a first petition for initiation and membership, where Masonic objection is found to exist upon inquiry of a Lodge nearest the petitioner's residence.

The permission for a second ballot on a first petition is extended only to the Lodge to which the petitioner has applied.

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Nothing should be enclosed in the monthly notices to members except what is provided for in the Ahiman Rezon, or in the directions of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary.

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An officer of a Lodge subordinate to this Grand Lodge has no right to correspond with the Grand Lodge of another Jurisdiction on Masonic subjects, without the authority of the Grand Master.

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Sending Lodge notices to others than members of the Lodge is not permitted; the Ahiman Rezon and the Circular Letter of the Grand Master state to whom such notices must be sent, and they may be sent to no others.

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Advertisements in newspapers and periodicals of the names, numbers, and places of meeting, as well as a list of officers of Subordinate Lodges, are positively prohibited.

It is the law in this Jurisdiction that a Masonic Lodge must not be opened on Sunday for any purpose whatever.

If a funeral of a deceased Brother is called for Sunday, the members may meet at the Lodge room and proceed from there to the funeral, but a Lodge must not be opened.

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A Lodge must not open its stated meeting at any other hour than that named in its By-laws.

The By-laws fix the hour of the meetings, and the only way to change that hour is by an amendment thereto.

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Declared the Borough of Edgewood, lying midway between Wilkinsburg and Swissvale, concurrent territory respecting residents thereof who may petition Lodges Nos. 590 and 647 at Wilkinsburg or 656 at Swissvale.

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Refused permission for a Lodge to occupy the banquet-room later than 12 o'clock P.M. That is the close of the day, and there is no reason why the Brethren should not be on their way home by that time.

I HAVE MADE THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS:

March 14. Brother FREDERICK C. DWYER, of Lodge No. 605, on the Board of Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

March 14. Brother WILLIAM G. KEUCH, of Lodge No. 605, as a Bursar of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

March 17. Brother JOHN A. MCSHERRY, of Lodge No. 368, on the Board of Almoners of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

## CORNER-STONES.

As already stated, on September 26th last, assisted by the Grand Officers, I laid the corner-stone of the Grand Lodge Hall of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. A number of Grand and Past Grand Masters, also a multitude of the Brethren, attended and took part in the ceremonies.

After their conclusion, I laid the corner-stone of the Blair County Memorial in due and ancient form.

## NEW LODGES.

Four new Lodges have been constituted this year, as follows:

October 20. Shenango Lodge, No. 668, at Sharon, Mercer County, was constituted by the Grand Master, assisted by a corps of the Officers of the Grand Lodge. There were 42 petitioners for the Warrant, every one of whom was present.

October 28. Benton Lodge, No. 667, at Benton, Columbia County, was constituted by District Deputy Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. SIDLER, of the 35th District, assisted by a corps of the Officers of the Grand Lodge.

December 11. Cedar Lodge, No. 670, at Mount Carmel, Northumberland County, was constituted by the Deputy Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS, assisted by a corps of the Officers of the Grand Lodge.

December 20. Oakdale Lodge, No. 669, at Oakdale, Allegheny County, was constituted by the Grand Master, assisted by a corps of the Officers of the Grand Lodge. There were 39 petitioners, 38 of whom were present.

## DISPENSATIONS.

January 16. To Lodge No. 186, to hold a special election for Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

January 16. To Lodge No. 604, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.



February 11. To Lodge No. 541, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by the inability of the Brother who had been elected, to be installed.

March 4. To Lodge No. 427, to hold a special election for Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by the declination of the Brother who had been elected, to be installed.

March 4. To Lodge No. 415, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

March 11. To Lodge No. 638, to hold a special election for Junior Warden, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from this Jurisdiction.

April 12. To Lodge No. 665, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

April 25. To Lodge No. 533, to hold a special election for Junior Warden, to fill a vacancy caused by removal from this Jurisdiction.

April 29. To Lodge No. 473, to hold a special election for Secretary, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

September 21. To Lodge No. 81, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

October 6. To Lodge No. 572, to hold a special election for Treasurer, to fill a vacancy caused by death.

October 26. I granted a Dispensation to Brother WILLIAM L. SIDLER, District Deputy Grand Master for the 35th District, authorizing and empowering him to call to his assistance a sufficient number of known and approved Past Masters to open and constitute a new Lodge to be held at Benton, to be known as Benton Lodge, No. 667.

December 11. I granted a Dispensation to Brother W. L. GORGAS, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, authorizing and empowering him to call to his assistance a sufficient number of known and approved Past Masters to open and constitute a new Lodge to be held at Mt. Carmel, to be known as Cedar Lodge, No. 670.

To a large number of Lodges in the Jurisdiction, to hold

joint exercises in celebration of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Independence of the Grand Lodge.

In conclusion, I desire to give expression to my appreciation of the great honor which has been conferred upon me by the Fraternity, and of the loyal support which I have received from the Brethren throughout the State, which has made the work of the office a labor of love.

It is this loyal support of, and cordial submission to, the constituted authorities that has made our Fraternity great, and will continue it in honor and in usefulness in the ages to come, as they have in the past.

We have a wonderful system of jurisprudence. The Landmarks which establish the powers and the duties of the various officers and Bodies, and the rights and duties of the Brethren, are sufficiently plain.

Any intelligent Brother, who, laying aside partiality or prejudice, earnestly seeks for light and information, can easily and surely learn the truth.

Sometimes we resent some Ancient Usage, Custom, or Landmark that interferes with the attainment of some temporary good which appeals to us—some object which seems to us at the time desirable or proper—but a wider vision and fuller experience will always vindicate the Ancient Faith.

The highway built by our fathers is broad and safe, and will surely lead us to the end, which all good men and true Masons desire.

Let us continue to resist the allurements of untried by-paths, which, though they may appear attractive, lead to ends we know not of.

So much of the minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held December 6, A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, as relates to the election of Grand Officers and the Committee on Masonic Homes, was read.



The following Brethren were duly installed in their respective stations for the ensuing Masonic year, were thrice proclaimed as such, and received the salutations of the Craft:

Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS,  
*Right Worshipful Grand Master.*

Brother J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
*Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.*

Brother LOUIS A. WATRES,  
*Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.*

Brother JAMES B. KRAUSE,  
*Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.*

Brother WILLIAM B. HACKENBURG,  
*Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.*

Brother JOHN A. PERRY,  
*Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.*

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE transmitted to Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS the signet ring which had been the property of the late Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ROBERT A. LAMBERTON, and presented by his son, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, at the Annual Grand Communication held December 28, 1896, to the then Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM J. KELLY (now deceased), to be transmitted to his successors in office.

Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY addressed Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, and with very appropriate remarks, in behalf of Grand Lodge, presented to him a Past Grand Master's jewel, for which Brother GUTHRIE tendered his sincere thanks.



## ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

*Right Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania:*

BRETHREN:

The time has arrived after twenty-three years' continuous service in the work of the Grand Lodge, to assume the duties of the highest office in the gift of that body. Deeply sensible of the work, duties, and requirements of the office, and with gratefulness and thankfulness to those who by their suffrages have placed me there, I assume the duties of the same, with a reliance on an allwise God, and with the forbearance of the Brethren, I promise to bring to and manage it with all the ability I am by nature endowed. It is my purpose not to attempt to introduce anything new, but to maintain and conform to the Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of the Fraternity as set forth and carried out by our fathers.

With fourteen hundred decisions, since the year 1856, when Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAMSON was Grand Master, down to the present day, staring me in the face, I sincerely hope I will not be called upon during my term of office to give any interpretation of or my views upon any part of the Ahiman Rezon. It would seem as if every possible construction has been put on every line and sentence of it, and therefore advisable to have the nearly five hundred pages of type written decisions prepared by Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE B. ORLADY, when he was Grand Master, condensed, codified, and printed or our Ahiman Rezon revised to cover these decisions.

Our Schools of Instruction established throughout the State have had very much to do in bringing about exactness in the production of the authorized work of our Jurisdiction. As we

do not use or allow the use of a ritual, the work becomes purely a matter of memory, and any officer of a Lodge, if he is endowed by nature with but ordinary ability, can learn the work, and it depends upon his oratorical power as to how effective he can be in producing it.

It will be my endeavor to give encouragement to these schools and wherever practicable to establish others, in order that proper instruction be afforded the Brethren at convenient places. District Deputy Grand Masters, "the personal representatives of the Grand Master, entitled to all the honors accorded him in their respective Jurisdictions," are requested to give this feature of Freemasonry their particular attention. By doing so they will, to a great extent, relieve themselves of the burden of imparting instructions to their less informed Brethren, and especially to the officers of the Lodges.

I do not mean that they should be relieved of their duties in order that their time might be taken up in advancing the so-called higher degrees, which to many of the Fraternity are morsels of sweet and great delight; for the instructions of Grand Masters have always been to them "to regard their allegiance to the Grand Lodge as paramount to all other connections or relations, and to devote themselves to teaching the authorized work by convocations of the officers for instruction, or by visits to such Lodge in their districts."

In my Circular Letter of Instructions to the District Deputy Grand Masters, I shall confine myself as much as possible to defining their duties and eliminating anything which concerns the government of the Lodges. As a violator of the Common Law cannot plead ignorance of the law, why should not the same rule apply to the violator of Masonic Law? I have concluded there was nothing to be gained in specializing any part of the Ahiman Rezon and the fourteen hundred decisions of Grand Masters, when the law in its entirety should be lived up to and every part and particle should be enforced.

I desire particularly to call the attention of the Craft to our having the largest and most important Masonic Library in



America, where every known Masonic periodical can be obtained on file. To the student of Freemasonry this is a very interesting place to visit and obtain all information desired. The Museum attached to the Library is unsurpassed by any Masonic exhibit in the world.

The Provincial, Colonial and Revolutionary manuscripts are now being arranged, collated and indexed. A history of the extinct Lodges prior to 1800, both "Modern" and "Ancient," intended to be issued during the coming year, is being prepared under direction of the Committee on Library. That our Library and Museum is appreciated by the Fraternity and the community at large, is evidenced by the steady increase of visitors, and Freemasons throughout the State should consider it their duty to contribute books to the Library, and material for the Museum, in order to add to their popularity.

From the Valedictory address of Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother LUCIUS H. SCOTT, December 27, 1866, I gleaned the following:

At the end of the year 1865, there were in the State 190 Lodges, 20,256 members and 2165 members of the Grand Lodge; \$48,170.00 invested money of the Girard Bequest and \$50,300.00 invested money of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, with but \$11,000.00 of debt. This debt was entirely wiped out before the end of the year 1866, leaving the Grand Lodge the owner of a Temple on Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, which was sold in 1882 for \$225,000.00. This was the financial condition of the Grand Lodge when it was decided to build another Temple on a more grand and magnificent scale; and to pay for the same, the faith, credit and resources of the Grand Lodge were pledged. There was no faltering or wavering in making payments as the work progressed, for our certificates of indebtedness, commonly known as the Bonds of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Pennsylvania, were taken up by the Lodges, members of the Fraternity and others with but little effort on the part of the Officers of the Grand Lodge to find takers for her securities.



Forty-five (45) years later what do we find?

Number of Lodges, December 27, 1910 . . . . .	481
Number of Members, December 27, 1910 . . . . .	96,430
Number of Members of the Grand Lodge, December 27, 1910 . . . . .	11,542

without a dollar of debt, with absolute right and title to

Real Estate in Philadelphia County, book value	\$2,183,235.09
Real Estate in Lancaster County, book value .	168,889.63
Grand Lodge Charity Fund . . . . .	103,561.61
Thomas Singleton Bequest . . . . .	27,893.24
Emergency Relief Fund . . . . .	12,738.05

with the following Bequests, of which the Grand Lodge are Trustees, interest of which is available for charitable purposes only:

Stephen Girard Bequest . . . . .	\$81,380.29
Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund .	116,232.33
Stephen Taylor Bequest . . . . .	18,422.17
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Bequest No. 1 . . . . .	20,480.00
Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Bequest No. 2 . . . . .	38,306.00
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Art Fund .	10,630.15
Maxwell Sommerville Bequest, Banquet Fund	5,132.02
Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys . . . . .	824,530.94

with 60 lots in the City of St. Louis, on which no appraisement has yet been made. It is to be remembered that most of the Charitable Funds are available for the Brethren throughout the whole Jurisdiction.

It is also proposed by the Amendment to the Ahiman Rezon introduced to-day, to lay a per capita tax of \$1.00 a year on every member of the State, for a Sinking Fund to pay off the debts incurred in improvements made on our property at Elizabethtown.

This condition of our resources, with our faith and credit, is what can be offered to those who take our certificates of indebtedness (Bonds of the Masonic Home Loan) or Notes of the Grand Lodge. And as the work authorized to be done by the Grand Lodge at Elizabethtown progresses, and money is needed to pay for the same, it is to be hoped no difficulty will be experienced in floating our securities.

“First the grain and then the blade,  
The one destroyed, the other made,  
Then stalk and blossom, and again  
The gold of newly minted grain.”

The idea of a Home or Homes under control of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for dependent Masons, their wives, widows and orphan children, had its planting in the year 1903, and the seed sown then has culminated in the purchase of a property at Elizabethtown. The doings of the several Committees appointed during that time have passed into history, if not into innocuous desuetude, and have been destroyed, but the blade is made. The stalk and blossom will complete its growth within the coming year, and then the golden grain will be ready for harvesting.

This in brief is the history of our Home; that it may bloom and blossom perennially is all that we as charitably disposed Masons can devoutly wish. A full and complete history of the doings of the Committee on Masonic Homes during the last year is contained in their report to the Grand Lodge on December 7th last, which should be read by all Masons interested in this laudable enterprise.

And now, Brethren, since words, oftentimes idle and useless, are but thoughts emanating from the mind, let us to work while it is yet called day, “for the night cometh when no man can work,” “for the tree is known by its fruit.”

## APPOINTMENTS.

Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM L. GORGAS announced the following appointments for the present Masonic year :

### *Grand Chaplains:*

- Bro. JAMES W. ROBINS, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 121.
- Bro. CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, of Pittsburgh.  
Lodge No. 221.
- Bro. J. GRAY BOLTON, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 59.
- Bro. GRAFTON T. REYNOLDS, of Pittsburgh.  
Lodge No. 219.
- Bro. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 236.
- Bro. GEO. W. MACLAUGHLIN, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 114.
- Bro. CHARLES M. STOCK, of Hanover.  
Lodge No. 320.
- Bro. FRANK B. LYNCH, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 528.
- Bro. CHARLES H. BOND, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 456.
- Bro. THOMAS M. JACKSON, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 126.
- Bro. ROBERT HUNTER, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 59.
- Bro. JOSEPH W. MILES, of Pittsburgh.  
Lodge No. 513.
- Bro. JOSEPH KRAUSKOPF, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 246.
- Bro. JAMES H. DARLINGTON, of Harrisburg.  
Lodge No. 21.
- Bro. RICHARD MONTGOMERY, of Philadelphia.  
Lodge No. 289.



*Senior Grand Deacon:*

Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.....Lodge No. 21

*Junior Grand Deacon:*

Bro. JOHN C. CARTER.....Lodge No. 43

*Grand Stewards:*

Bro. JENKIN HILL.....Lodge No. 435

Bro. WILLIAM H. PAINTER.....Lodge No. 106

*Grand Marshal:*

Bro. J. WARNER HUTCHINS.....Lodge No. 91

*Grand Sword Bearer:*

Bro. R. MORGAN ROOT.....Lodge No. 254

*Grand Pursuivant:*

Bro. CHARLES S. BAIR.....Lodge No. 610

*Grand Tyler:*

Bro. WILLIAM B. JOSLYN.....Lodge No. 274

*Secretary to Grand Master:*

Bro. SAMUEL W. WRAY.....Lodge No. 121

*Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund:*

Bro. STOCKTON BATES.....Lodge No. 158

Bro. JOSEPH W. MURRAY.....Lodge No. 368

Bro. THEODORE E. WIEDERSHEIM.Lodge No. 51

Bro. SAMUEL SHOEMAKER.....Lodge No. 500

Bro. JOSEPH W. THOMPSON.....Lodge No. 75

*Trustees of the Girard Bequest:*

Bro. JOHN L. THOMSON.....Lodge No. 51

Bro. EDWARD PERRY.....Lodge No. 158

Bro. EDWARD B. SPENCER.....Lodge No. 368

Bro. HENRY F. MITCHELL.....Lodge No. 134

Bro. ROBERT W. MONTGOMERY...Lodge No. 441

*Trustees of the Title to the Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of Grand Lodge:*

Bro. GEORGE S. GRAHAM.....	Lodge No. 52
Bro. S. KINGSTON McCAY.....	Lodge No. 72
Bro. GEORGE T. OLIVER.....	Lodge No. 219
Bro. GEORGE W. SPIESE.....	Lodge No. 450
Bro. H. OSCAR KLINE.....	Lodge No. 320

*Trustees of the Thomas R. Patton Memorial Charity Fund:*  
(Appointed for life by Brother THOMAS R. PATTON, deceased, in accordance with his deed of gift.)

Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.....	Lodge No. 21
Bro. EDMUND D. SCHOLEY.....	Lodge No. 126
Bro. THOMAS R. PATTON.....	Lodge No. 121
(Appointed by the Grand Master.)	
Bro. JOHN J. R. CRAVEN.....	Lodge No. 368
Bro. McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE.....	Lodge No. 441

*Trustees of the Stephen Taylor Bequest:*

Bro. GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.,	
R. W. P. G. M. ....	Lodge No. 59
Bro. SAMUEL W. WRAY.....	Lodge No. 121
Bro. HENRY W. SMITH.....	Lodge No. 481
Bro. JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON..	Lodge No. 230
Bro. SAMUEL B. WILLS.....	Lodge No. 607

*Trustees of the Charles Jackson McClary Memorial Funds:*

Bro. LOUIS WAGNER.....	Lodge No. 52
Bro. EDWIN S. STUART.....	Lodge No. 271
Bro. GEORGE W. KENDRICK, 3d..	Lodge No. 610
Bro. WALTER B. SMITH.....	Lodge No. 246
Bro. BENJAMIN EISEMAN.....	Lodge No. 274

*Trustees of the Maxwell Sommerville Bequests:*

Bro. JAMES I. BUCHANAN.....	Lodge No. 219
Bro. EDGAR F. SMITH.....	Lodge No. 610
Bro. THOMAS C. STELLWAGEN...	Lodge No. 121
Bro. ROBERT GRAHAM.....	Lodge No. 121
Bro. PETER M. MACLAREN.....	Lodge No. 654

*Trustees of the Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution  
for Boys:*

(As designated by resolution of Grand Lodge December  
27, 1907.)

- Bro. WILLIAM L. GORGAS,  
R. W. G. M.....Lodge No. 21
- Bro. J. HENRY WILLIAMS,  
R. W. D. G. M.....Lodge No. 59
- Bro. LOUIS A. WATRES,  
R. W. S. G. W.....Lodge No. 323
- Bro. JAMES B. KRAUSE,  
R. W. J. G. W.....Lodge No. 397
- Bro. GEORGE B. ORLADY,  
R. W. P. G. M. ....Lodge No. 300
- Bro. DAVID A. SAWDEY.....Lodge No. 392
- Bro. SPENCER C. GILBERT.....Lodge No. 21
- Bro. JOHN D. GOFF.....Lodge No. 236
- Bro. DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD.....Lodge No. 576
- Bro. EDWARD W. PATTON.....Lodge No. 543
- Bro. GEORGE S. GRAHAM.....Lodge No. 52  
Chairman of the Trustees of the Title to the  
Masonic Temple and other Real Estate of the  
Grand Lodge.
- Bro. ABRAHAM M. BEITLER.....Lodge No. 449  
Chairman of the Committee on Finance.
- Bro. THOMAS R. PATTON.....Lodge No. 121

*Commissioners of Sinking Fund:*

- Bro. HENRY M. DECHERT.....Lodge No. 274
- Bro. ATWOOD SMITH.....Lodge No. 121
- Bro. DANIEL BAIRD.....Lodge No. 295
- Bro. ROBERT E. JAMES.....Lodge No. 396



*Committee on Landmarks:*

Bro. EDGAR A. TENNIS,	
R. W. P. G. M. ....	Lodge No. 371
Bro. GEORGE W. KENDRICK, JR.,	
R. W. P. G. M. ....	Lodge No. 59
Bro. GEORGE B. ORLADY,	
R. W. P. G. M. ....	Lodge No. 300
Bro. GEORGE W. GUTHRIE,	
R. W. P. G. M. ....	Lodge No. 221
With the R. W. Grand Master and R. W. Deputy Grand Master.	

*Committee on Appeals:*

Bro. ABRAHAM M. BEITLER....	Lodge No. 449
Bro. CASPER DULL.....	Lodge No. 464
Bro. GEORGE C. BURGWIN.....	Lodge No. 221
Bro. MURDOCH KENDRICK.....	Lodge No. 610
Bro. WILLIAM B. BROOMALL.....	Lodge No. 236

*Committee on Finance:*

Bro. ABRAHAM M. BEITLER....	Lodge No. 449
Bro. WILLIAM McCONWAY.....	Lodge No. 484
Bro. HENRY E. TRIPLER.....	Lodge No. 620
Bro. CHARLES F. WIGNALL.....	Lodge No. 52
Bro. JOHN K. MCCARTHY.....	Lodge No. 2

*Committee on Correspondence:*

Bro. JAMES M. LAMBERTON.....	Lodge No. 21
Bro. LEE S. SMITH.....	Lodge No. 221
Bro. WILLIAM N. SEIBERT.....	Lodge No. 319
Bro. GEORGE A. HOWE.....	Lodge No. 221
Bro. JESSE E. B. CUNNINGHAM..	Lodge No. 225

*Committee on By-laws:*

Bro. JAMES McCONNELL.....	Lodge No. 528
Bro. EDWARD T. ROBERTS.....	Lodge No. 91
Bro. A. HOWARD THOMAS.....	Lodge No. 610
Bro. WILLIAM D. ASNIP.....	Lodge No. 519
Bro. THOMAS J. S. NICELY.....	Lodge No. 607

*Committee on Printing and Publishing:*

Bro. M. RICHARDS MUCKLÉ.....	Lodge No. 125
Bro. WILLIAM H. BELLOWES.....	Lodge No. 444
Bro. EDWARD A. STOCKTON.....	Lodge No. 158
Bro. G. ELLWOOD WAGNER.....	Lodge No. 52
Bro. THEODORE EVANS.....	Lodge No. 72

*Committee on Temple:*

Bro. GEORGE MCCURDY.....	Lodge No. 369
Bro. HIBBERT P. JOHN.....	Lodge No. 369
Bro. Z. TAYLOR RICKARDS.....	Lodge No. 385
Bro. THOMAS L. LATTA.....	Lodge No. 631
Bro. CHARLES CHIPMAN.....	Lodge No. 450

*Committee on Library:*

Bro. JOHN WANAMAKER.....	Lodge No. 400
Bro. I. LAYTON REGISTER.....	Lodge No. 51
Bro. SAMUEL W. LATTA.....	Lodge No. 631
Bro. CHARLES L. LOCKWOOD....	Lodge No. 296
Bro. HARMAN YERKES.....	Lodge No. 245
Bro. NORRIS S. BARRATT.....	Lodge No. 2
Bro. JOHN L. KINSEY.....	Lodge No. 444

*Committee on Masonic Homes:*

(As designated by the Ahiman Rezon.)

The Grand Master,

Bro. WILLIAM L. GORGAS...Lodge No. 21

The Deputy Grand Master,

Bro. J. HENRY WILLIAMS...Lodge No. 59

The Senior Grand Warden,

Bro. LOUIS A. WATRES.....Lodge No. 323

The Junior Grand Warden,

Bro. JAMES B. KRAUSE.....Lodge No. 397

(Elected by Grand Lodge December 6, 1911.)

Bro. GEORGE B. ORLADY,

R. W. P. G. M. ....Lodge No. 300

Bro. DAVID A. SAWDEY.....Lodge No. 392

Bro. SPENCER C. GILBERT.....Lodge No. 21

Bro. JOHN D. GOFF.....Lodge No. 236

Bro. DAVID F. COLLINGWOOD....Lodge No. 576

Bro. EDWARD W. PATTON.....Lodge No. 543

*District Deputy Grand Masters:*

- A—Brother THOMAS D. FINLETTER (Lodge No. 528),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 59, 72, 121, 134, 246, 368,  
436, 449, 453, 491, 500, 528, 609 and 659 in Philadelphia.
- B—Brother JOHN M. WALTON (Lodge No. 444),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 2, 3, 71, 114, 125, 155, 274,  
444, 450, 527, 605, 607 and 636 in Philadelphia.
- C—Brother SAMUEL A. BOYLE (Lodge No. 126),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 67, 91, 126, 186, 359, 369,  
385, 393, 419, 456, 493, 591, 606 and 646 in Philadelphia.
- D—Brother ROBERT R. BRINGHURST (Lodge No. 654),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 19, 52, 130, 158, 187, 295,  
380, 386, 432, 481, 529, 654 and 661 in Philadelphia.
- E—Brother THOMAS H. FENTON (Lodge No. 51),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 9, 51, 115, 131, 271, 289,  
384, 402, 441, 482, 487, 543, 631 and 645 in Philadelphia.
- F—Brother GEORGE HALE (Lodge No. 610),  
of Philadelphia, for Lodges Nos. 81, 135, 211, 230, 292, 296,  
470, 506, 519, 600, 610 and 624 in Philadelphia.
- 1—Brother JOHN W. LANSINGER (Lodge No. 43),  
of Millersville, for the County of Lancaster.
- 2—Brother GEORGE A. GORGAS (Lodge No. 464),  
of Harrisburg, for the Counties of Dauphin and Lebanon.
- 3—Brother SAMUEL M. GOODYEAR (Lodge No. 197),  
of Carlisle, for the Counties of Cumberland, Franklin (except  
Lodge No. 586) and Fulton.
- 4—Brother GEORGE H. SHIRK (Lodge No. 348),  
of Hanover, for Lodges Nos. 336 and 465 in Adams County,  
and Lodges Nos. 348 and 423 in York County and Lodge No.  
586 in Franklin County.
- 5—Brother DAVID H. WEAVER (Lodge No. 564),  
of Coatesville, for Lodges Nos. 309, 322, 340, 343, 383, 405,  
564 and 569 in Chester County.
- 6—Brother THADDEUS S. ADLE (Lodge No. 190),  
of Norristown, for Lodges Nos. 190, 273, 310, 420, 558 and  
620 in Montgomery County and Lodge No. 581 in Delaware  
County.
- 7—Brother ADAM H. SCHMEHL (Lodge No. 435),  
of Reading, for the County of Berks.



- 8—Brother JAMES N. RICHARDS (Lodge No. 25),  
of Fallsington, for the County of Bucks and for Lodges Nos.  
308, 400 and 410 in Montgomery County.
- 9—Brother JOHN FREDERICK BEITEL (Lodge No. 152),  
of Nazareth, for the Counties of Northampton and Monroe.
- 10—Brother AARON R. TRUMBOWER (Lodge No. 469),  
of Passer, for the Counties of Carbon and Lehigh (except  
Lodges Nos. 242 and 621 in Carbon County).
- 11—Brother ALBERT A. SEIBERT (Lodge No. 216),  
of Pottsville, for the County of Schuylkill.
- 12—Brother WOODWARD LEAVENWORTH (Lodge No. 442),  
of Wilkes-Barre, for the County of Luzerne (except Lodges  
Nos. 327, 467 and 611).
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Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, Senior Grand Deacon, addressed the Grand Lodge, as follows:

*Right Worshipful Grand Master :*

One hundred and twenty-five years ago to-day this Grand Lodge celebrated the Festival of Saint John the Evangelist. Prior to that date the Grand Lodge minutes show it was voted that "the Brethren of the several Lodges walk in Masonic Procession on next St. John's day to attend Divine service at the University, and that the Revd. Doctor Ewing or Pilmore be applied to for the purpose of preparing a Charity sermon for that day;" that a Committee was appointed with full power to make arrangements; "that the moneys collected on this occasion be applied equally for the benefit of the poor in the Gaol of this City and those belonging to the Craft, unless the sermon is preached in a Church, in such case they are to have an equal proportion with those mentioned;" that, when the arrangements are made, the Committee "are hereby required to frame an advertisement, which is to be inserted in the different Newspapers, inviting all free and accepted Masons to attend the procession." This last action is worthy of note, showing the desire to unite "Moderns" and "Ancients."

Accordingly in the Philadelphia "Pennsylvania Packet" of December 8, 1786, there appeared the following:

"Philadelphia, Dec. 8, 1786.

"ALL FREE and ACCEPTED MASONS are particularly requested to meet on *Wednesday*, 27th instant (being the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist) at the *Grand Lodge Room* in Videll's alley, precisely at 9 o'clock in the Forenoon, to proceed from thence in Masonic form to St. Paul's Church, where a Charity Sermon will be delivered for the Relief of the Poor of the Craft, and the Poor of the Congregation and the distressed Prisoners in gaol. After the sermon an Anthem will be sung by the gentlemen of the Uranian Society.

"By order of the R. W. Grand Master

ASSHETON HUMPHREYS, Grand Sec'ry."

The place of meeting was changed, as shown by the "Packet" of the 22nd and 27th, to "Mr. *Duplissi's Long Room* in Church alley."

In none of the publications of the Grand Lodge that I have seen, is there any account of the celebration, and so the accounts given in the newspapers of the day may be of interest.

In the "Pennsylvania Packet" for Wednesday, December 27, 1786, appeared an article, in part as follows:

"PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.

"This being the Anniversary of St. JOHN's day, the ancient and honorable fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons have proposed a procession, which we are told will commence at ten in the forenoon, from Mr. Duplisse's room in Church-Alley, and proceed in usual form to St. Paul's Church; where the reverend Mr. PILMORE at the particular request of the Grand Lodge, will deliver a charity sermon, adapted to the occasion.

"This being the first procession of the Grand Lodge since the declaration of its independence and separation from the *masonic* government and authority of *foreign* jurisdiction, the public attention (observes a correspondent) will very probably be much fascinated and engaged, and, of course, every pains exercised by the managers of ceremonies, to make the procession as respectable as the nature of circumstances will admit, consistent with the *land marks* and *boundaries*, laid down and prescribed by the immemorial *rules* and customs of the ancient *craft*."

In the issue of the "Packet" for the Saturday following, was another article, in part as follows :

"Wednesday last being St. JOHN's day, in conformity to the wishes and expectations of the *Grand Lodge* of Pennsylvania, the respective *brethren* of the *ancient* order of *free* and *accepted* masons, as well as those who have attained the *superior* degrees of *sublime* masonry, assembled at *brother* Duplissi's room in Church alley, and then proceeded to *St. Paul's* church in the following manner :

1. Music.
2. Two Sword Bearers.
3. Two Deacons bearing wands.
4. Entered Apprentices, }  
Fellow Crafts, } Two and two.  
Master Masons, }
5. Two Deacons with wands.
6. Junior Grand Warden with his pillar.
7. Treasurers and Secretaries, }  
Junior Wardens, } Of Existing Lodges,  
Senior Wardens, } two and two.  
Masters of Lodges, }  
Past Masters, }
8. Two Deacons with wands.
9. Senior Grand Warden with his pillar.
10. Master of Ceremonies.  
The Thrice Puissant, in his robes, with the Wardens  
of the Sublime Lodge.  
Brother Inspector, }  
Secretary and Treasurer, }  
Members Sublime Lodge, } Two and two.  
The 3 Royal Arch Masters, }  
with their sceptres, }  
Royal Arch Brethren, }
11. The Clergy.
12. Three Lights—The centre of one borne by our Hon. Brother Biddle,  
the Vice-President of the State.
13. The Bible and Constitution.
14. The Grand and Deputy Master of Pennsylvania.
15. Two Deacons.
16. Sword Bearers.



“ At St. Paul’s church, after the performance of divine service, and a most excellent prayer being delivered by the Reverend Mr. Magaw, the Reverend Mr. Pilmore (agreeably to the request of the Grand Lodge) preached an elegant sermon from the following text :

“ ‘ We love him because he first loved us.’ I John, chap. iv, verse 19.

“ A general collection of monies for charitable purposes took place, the amount of which is not completely ascertained.

“ The brethren then proceeded in due order from St. Paul’s church to Mr. Duplissi’s room, from which place the procession commenced.

“ The brethren afterwards dined together at Mr. Duplissi’s, the clergy having retired, and spent the remainder of the day in that masonic harmony which has ever distinguished the fraternity.

“ The following toasts were drank upon the occasion :

“ 1. The States and the Craft.

“ 2. The President our venerable Brother Franklin, and the land we live in.

“ 3. The Most Worshipful the Grand Officers of free Masons throughout the Globe.

“ 4. Our illustrious and beloved Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON.

“ 5. May the rust of discord never corrode the polished chain of Masonic fellowship.

“ 6. The Reverend Clergy.

“ 7. May unanimity and brotherly love be the characteristic of the Hon. Craft.

“ 8. Charity for the faults of others and wisdom to correct our own.

“ 9. The immortal memory of our royal Brother Frederic of Prussia.

“ 10. The Uranian Society.

“ 11. May our zeal, fervour and constancy, be productive of wisdom, strength and beauty.

“12. May the Craft of the Western World vie with the old in assiduity and diligence to erect their New Temple and support its pillars with glory and honor.

“13. May virtue, happiness and brotherly love, the pure off-spring of Masonic excellence, rest in this New World.

“Thus has closed a day, where festive hilarity did assume the social seats, and sweetly smiling innocence wreath the *chaplet* for his brow—crown the *bowl*, and command the *song*.”

In those days the popular number of toasts at a banquet was thirteen—one for each of the thirteen States.

It is thought that the writer of the articles in the “*Pennsylvania Packet*” of December 27 and December 30, 1786, was Brother PETER LE BARBIER DUPLESSIS, who later served as Grand Secretary from 1789 to 1794.

Brother ENOCH MOORE, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Delaware, Brother L. IRVING HANDY, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Delaware, and Brother JOSIAH W. EWAN, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of New Jersey, separately addressed the Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge closed in harmony at 2 o'clock, 5 minutes, P.M.

John A. Perry  
Grand Secretary





Eng<sup>d</sup> by W. T. Eather NY

*John B. Gibson*

*R. W. Grand Master*

*1824*





## APPENDIX.

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### LIST OF LODGES ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY ACCORDING TO PLACES OF MEETING.

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Albion .....	No. 24.....	Western Star .....	304
Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32.....	Allegheny .....	223
" "	" 32.....	Jefferson .....	288
" "	" 32.....	McKinley .....	318
" "	" 32.....	Davage .....	374
" "	" 32.....	Stuckrath .....	430
" "	" 32.....	Ionic .....	525
Allentown .....	" 10 .....	Barger .....	333
" .....	" 10.....	Greenleaf .....	561
Altoona .....	" 20.....	Mountain .....	281
" .....	" 20.....	Logan .....	490
" .....	" 20.....	Hiram .....	616
Apollo .....	" 39.....	Apollo .....	437
Ardmore .....	" 6.....	Cassia .....	273
Ashland .....	" 11.....	Ashland .....	294
Ashley .....	" 12.....	Coalville .....	474
Athens .....	" 16.....	Rural Amity .....	70
Austin .....	" 44.....	Arcana .....	580
Bangor .....	" 9.....	Bangor .....	565
Bath .....	" 9.....	Manoquesy .....	413
Beallsville .....	" 29.....	Beallsville .....	237
Beaver .....	" 37.....	St. James .....	457
Beaver Falls .....	" 37.....	Beaver Valley .....	478
" " .....	" 37.....	Parian .....	662
Bedford .....	" 34.....	Bedford .....	320
Bellefonte .....	" 21.....	Bellefonte .....	268
Belle Vernon .....	" 43.....	Belle Vernon .....	643
Bellevue .....	" 32.....	Bellevue .....	530
" .....	" 32.....	Avalon .....	657
Benton .....	" 35.....	Benton .....	667
Berwick .....	" 45.....	Knapp .....	462
Bethlehem .....	" 9.....	Bethlehem .....	283
Birdsboro .....	" 7.....	Union .....	479
Blairsville .....	" 39.....	Acacia .....	355
Bloomsburg .....	" 35.....	Washington .....	265

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Blossburg .....	No. 17.....	Bloss .....	350
Braddock .....	" 38.....	Braddock's Field .....	510
Bradford .....	" 22.....	Union .....	334
Bristol .....	" 8.....	Bristol .....	25
Brookville .....	" 27.....	Hobah .....	276
Brownsville .....	" 31.....	Brownsville .....	60
Burgettstown .....	" 29.....	Richard Vaux .....	454
Butler .....	" 27.....	Butler .....	272
Cambridge Springs .....	" 25.....	Covenant .....	473
Canonsburg .....	" 29.....	Chartiers .....	297
Canton .....	" 16.....	Canton .....	415
Carbondale .....	" 13.....	Carbondale .....	249
Carlisle .....	" 3.....	Cumberland Star .....	197
" .....	" 3.....	St. John's .....	260
Carnegie .....	" 47.....	Centennial .....	544
" .....	" 47.....	La Fayette .....	652
Catasauqua .....	" 10.....	Porter .....	284
Catawissa .....	" 35.....	Catawissa .....	349
Center Hall .....	" 21.....	Old Fort .....	537
Chambersburg .....	" 3.....	George Washington ....	143
Charleroi .....	" 43.....	Charleroi .....	615
Chester .....	" 36.....	Chester .....	236
" .....	" 36.....	Lucius H. Scott .....	352
Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia	F.....	Hiram .....	81
Chicora .....	No. 27.....	Argyle .....	540
Christiana .....	" 1.....	Christiana .....	417
Clarion .....	" 27.....	Clarion .....	277
Clark's Summit .....	" 13.....	Waverly .....	301
Claysville .....	" 29.....	Claysville .....	447
Clearfield .....	" 21.....	Clearfield .....	314
Coal Center .....	" 43.....	Monongahela Valley ...	461
Coalport .....	" 21.....	Coalport .....	574
Coatesville .....	" 5.....	Goddard .....	383
" .....	" 5.....	Coatesville .....	564
Cochranville .....	" 5.....	Skerrett .....	343
Columbia .....	" 1.....	Columbia .....	286
Columbus .....	" 23.....	Columbus .....	264
Concordville .....	" 36.....	Concord .....	625
Conneautville .....	" 25.....	Western Crawford ....	258
Connellsville .....	" 31.....	King Solomon's .....	346
Conshohocken .....	" 6.....	Fritz .....	420
Coopersburg .....	" 10.....	Saucon .....	469
Corry .....	" 24.....	Corry .....	365
Coudersport .....	" 44.....	Eulalia. ....	342



PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Crafton .. . . .	No. 47.....	Crafton .. . . .	653
Cressona .. . . .	" 11.....	Cressona .. . . .	426
Curwensville .. . . .	" 21.....	Noble .. . . .	480
Dallas .. . . .	" 12.....	George M. Dallas .. . . .	531
Danville .. . . .	" 35.....	Danville .. . . .	224
" .. . . .	" 35.....	Mahoning .. . . .	516
Dawson .. . . .	" 31.....	James Cochran .. . . .	614
Derry Station .. . . .	" 30.....	La Monte .. . . .	568
Donora .. . . .	" 43.....	Donora .. . . .	626
Downingtown .. . . .	" 5.....	Williamson .. . . .	309
Doylestown .. . . .	" 8.....	Doylestown .. . . .	245
Driftwood .. . . .	" 33.....	Driftwood .. . . .	532
DuBois .. . . .	" 21.....	Garfield .. . . .	559
Duke Center .. . . .	" 22.....	Northern Star .. . . .	555
Dunmore .. . . .	" 13.....	King Solomon .. . . .	584
East Brady .. . . .	" 27.....	East Brady .. . . .	640
East Greenville .. . . .	" 40.....	Perkiomen .. . . .	595
Easton .. . . .	" 9.....	Easton .. . . .	152
" .. . . .	" 9.....	Dallas .. . . .	396
East Smithfield .. . . .	" 16.....	Smithfield .. . . .	428
East Stroudsburg .. . . .	" 9.....	J. Simpson Africa .. . . .	628
Ebensburg .. . . .	" 41.....	Summit .. . . .	312
Edenburg, Knox P. O.....	" 27.....	Edenburg .. . . .	550
Edinboro .. . . .	" 24.....	Oasis .. . . .	416
Eldred .. . . .	" 22.....	Eldred .. . . .	560
Elizabeth .. . . .	" 43.....	Stephen Bayard .. . . .	526
Ellwood City .. . . .	" 26.....	Ellwood .. . . .	599
Elysburg .. . . .	" 46.....	Elysburg .. . . .	414
Emlenton .. . . .	" 27.....	Allegheny Valley .. . . .	552
Emporium .. . . .	" 33.....	Emporium .. . . .	382
Enon Valley .. . . .	" 37.....	Meridian .. . . .	411
Ephrata .. . . .	" 1.....	Ephrata .. . . .	665
Erie .. . . .	" 24.....	Tyrian .. . . .	362
" .. . . .	" 24.....	Perry .. . . .	392
" .. . . .	" 24.....	Keystone .. . . .	455
Everett .. . . .	" 34.....	Everett .. . . .	524
Factoryville .. . . .	" 15.....	Factoryville .. . . .	341
Falls of Schuylkill, Phila- delphia .. . . .	F.....	Palestine .. . . .	470
Fayette City .. . . .	No. 31.....	Gummert .. . . .	252
Fawn Grove .. . . .	" 42.....	Friendship .. . . .	663
Forest City .. . . .	" 15.....	Forest City .. . . .	439

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Fort Washington .....	No. 8.....	Fort Washington .....	308
Frankford, Philadelphia ...	F.....	Frankford .....	292
“ “ .....	F.....	Jerusalem .....	506
Franklin .....	No. 23.....	Myrtle .....	316
Freeland .....	“ 45.....	Arbutus .....	611
Freeport .....	“ 27.....	Armstrong .....	239
Galeton .....	“ 44.....	Galeton .....	602
Germantown, Philadelphia ..	F.....	Mitchell .....	296
“ “ ..	F.....	Henry W. Williams ....	624
Gettysburg .....	No. 4.....	Good Samaritan .....	336
Girard .....	“ 24.....	Lake Erie .....	347
Great Bend .....	“ 15.....	Great Bend .....	338
Greencastle .....	“ 3.....	Mount Pisgah .....	443
Greensburg .....	“ 30.....	Philanthropy .....	225
“ .....	“ 30.....	Westmoreland .....	518
Green Tree Station .....	“ 5.....	Thomson .....	340
Greenville .....	“ 26.....	Eureka .....	290
Grove City .....	“ 26.....	Grove City .....	603
Hamburg .....	“ 7.....	Vaux .....	406
Hamlington .....	“ 14.....	Salem .....	330
Hanover .....	“ 4.....	Patmos .....	348
Harrisburg .....	“ 2.....	Perseverance .....	21
“ .....	“ 2.....	Robert Burns .....	464
“ .....	“ 2.....	Harrisburg .....	629
Harrison Valley .....	“ 44.....	Adelpha .....	592
Hatboro .....	“ 8.....	W. K. Bray .....	410
Hawley .....	“ 14.....	Hawley .....	305
Hazleton .....	“ 45.....	Hazle .....	327
Hellertown .....	“ 9.....	Hellertown .....	563
Holidaysburg .....	“ 20.....	Portage .....	220
“ .....	“ 20.....	Juniata .....	282
Homestead .....	“ 38.....	Homestead .....	582
Honesdale .....	“ 14.....	Honesdale .....	218
Honeybrook .....	“ 5.....	Howell .....	405
Hop Bottom .....	“ 15.....	Harford .....	445
Hummelstown .....	“ 2.....	Brownstone .....	666
Huntingdon .....	“ 34.....	Mount Moriah .....	300
Hyndman .....	“ 34.....	Hyndman .....	589
Indiana .....	“ 39.....	Indiana .....	313
Irwin .....	“ 30.....	Shidle .....	601
Jackson .....	“ 15.....	Freedom .....	328
Jamestown .....	“ 26.....	Adelphic .....	424

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Jenkintown .....	No. 8.....	Friendship .....	400
Jermyn .....	" 13.....	Aurora .....	523
Jersey Shore .....	" 18.....	La Belle Vallée.....	232
Johnstown .....	" 41.....	Cambria .....	278
" .....	" 41.....	Johnstown .....	538
Kane .....	" 33.....	Kane .....	566
Kennett Square .....	" 36.....	Kennett .....	475
Kensington, Philadelphia ...	F.....	Kensington .....	211
" .....	F.....	Richmond .....	230
" .....	F.....	Gothic .....	519
Kingston .....	No. 12.....	Kingston .....	395
Kittanning .....	" 27.....	Kittanning .....	244
Knoxville .....	" 27.....	Cowanesque .....	351
Kutztown .....	" 7.....	Huguenot .....	377
Laceyville .....	" 16.....	Franklin .....	263
Lancaster .....	" 1.....	.....	43
" .....	" 1.....	Lamberton .....	476
Lansdale .....	" 6.....	Shiloh .....	558
Latrobe .....	" 30.....	Loyalhanna .....	275
Lebanon .....	" 2.....	Mount Lebanon .....	226
Leechburg .....	" 27.....	Leechburg .....	577
Lehighon .....	" 45.....	Lehighon .....	621
Le Raysville .....	" 16.....	Le Ray .....	471
Lewisburg .....	" 18.....	Charity .....	144
Lewistown .....	" 19.....	Lewistown .....	203
Ligonier .....	" 30.....	Ligonier .....	331
Linesville .....	" 25.....	Pine .....	498
Lock Haven .....	" 33.....	La Fayette .....	199
Lykens .....	" 2.....	Ashlar .....	570
McDonald .....	" 29.....	Garfield .....	604
McKeesport .....	" 49.....	Alliquippa .....	375
" .....	" 49.....	Youghioghenny .....	583
" .....	" 49.....	McKeesport .....	641
McVeytown .....	" 19.....	McVeytown .....	376
Mahanoy City .....	" 11.....	Mahanoy City .....	357
Manayunk, Philadelphia....	F.....	Roxborough .....	135
Manheim .....	No. 1.....	Manheim .....	587
Mansfield .....	" 17.....	Friendship .....	247
Marienville .....	" 23.....	Acacia .....	633
Marietta .....	" 1.....	Ashara .....	398
Marysville .....	" 19.....	Perry .....	458
Masontown .....	" 31.....	Valley .....	459



PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Mauch Chunk .....	No. 45 .....	Carbon .....	242
Meadville .....	" 25 .....	Crawford .....	234
" .....	" 25 .....	.....	408
Mechanicsburg .....	" 3 .....	Eureka .....	302
Media .....	" 36 .....	George W. Bartram ...	298
Mercer .....	" 26 .....	Hebron .....	575
Meyersdale .....	" 41 .....	Meyersdale .....	554
Middleburg .....	" 46 .....	Middleburg .....	619
Middletown .....	" 2 .....	Prince Edwin .....	486
Mifflinburg .....	" 18 .....	Mifflinburg .....	370
Mifflintown .....	" 19 .....	Union .....	324
Milford .....	" 14 .....	Milford .....	344
Millersburg .....	" 2 .....	Susquehanna .....	364
Millersville .....	" 1 .....	Charles M. Howell ....	496
Millvale Borough .....	" 32 .....	Corinthian .....	573
Milton .....	" 46 .....	Milton .....	256
Minersville .....	" 11 .....	Minersville .....	222
Monessen .....	" 43 .....	Monessen .....	638
Monongahela .....	" 43 .....	Henry M. Phillips ....	337
Monroeton .....	" 16 .....	Evergreen .....	163
Montoursville .....	" 18 .....	Eureka .....	335
Montrose .....	" 15 .....	Warren .....	240
Moores .....	" 36 .....	Prospect .....	578
Moosic .....	" 13 .....	Moosic .....	664
Moscow .....	" 13 .....	Moscow .....	504
Mount Carmel .....	" 46 .....	Mount Carmel .....	378
" " .....	" 46 .....	Cedar .....	670
Mount Jewett .....	" 22 .....	Mount Jewett .....	627
Mount Joy .....	" 1 .....	Casiphia .....	551
Muncy .....	" 18 .....	Muncy .....	299
Nanticoke .....	" 12 .....	Nanticoke .....	541
Nazareth .....	" 9 .....	Whitfield .....	622
New Bethlehem .....	" 27 .....	New Bethlehem .....	522
New Bloomfield .....	" 19 .....	Adams .....	319
New Brighton .....	" 37 .....	Union .....	259
New Castle .....	" 26 .....	Mahoning .....	243
" " .....	" 26 .....	Lodge of the Craft ....	433
" " .....	" 26 .....	New Castle .....	642
New Kensington .....	" 30 .....	Tyrian .....	644
New Milford .....	" 15 .....	New Milford .....	507
New Oxford .....	" 4 .....	Hebron .....	465
Newport .....	" 19 .....	Newport .....	381
Newtown .....	" 8 .....	Newtown .....	427
Newville .....	" 3 .....	Big Spring .....	361
Nicholson .....	" 15 .....	Nicholson .....	438

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Norristown .....	No. 6 .....	Charity .....	190
“ .....	“ 6 .....	Norristown .....	620
North East .....	“ 24 .....	North East .....	399
Northampton .....	“ 9 .....	Chapman .....	637
Northumberland .....	“ 46 .....	Eureka .....	404
Oakdale .....	“ 47 .....	Oakdale .....	669
Oil City .....	“ 23 .....	Petrolia .....	363
Olyphant .....	“ 13 .....	Kingsbury .....	466
Orangeville .....	“ 35 .....	Oriental .....	460
Orbisonia .....	“ 34 .....	Cromwell .....	572
Orrstown .....	“ 3 .....	Orrstown .....	262
Orwigsburg .....	“ 11 .....	Schuykill .....	138
Osceola .....	“ 17 .....	Osceola .....	421
Osceola Mills .....	“ 21 .....	Osceola .....	515
Oxford .....	“ 36 .....	Oxford .....	353
Parker's Landing .....	“ 27 .....	Parker City .....	521
Parkesburg .....	“ 5 .....	Keystone .....	569
Patton .....	“ 41 .....	Patton .....	658
Peckville .....	“ 13 .....	Oriental Star .....	588
Pen Argyl .....	“ 9 .....	Pen Argyl .....	594
Philadelphia .....	B .....	.....	2
“ .....	B .....	.....	3
“ .....	E .....	.....	9
“ .....	D .....	Montgomery .....	19
“ .....	E .....	.....	51
“ .....	D .....	Harmony .....	52
“ .....	A .....	Washington .....	59
“ .....	C .....	Concordia .....	67
“ .....	B .....	La Fayette .....	71
“ .....	A .....	Philadelphia .....	72
“ .....	F .....	Hiram .....	81
“ .....	C .....	Columbia .....	91
“ .....	B .....	Solomon's .....	114
“ .....	E .....	St. John's .....	115
“ .....	A .....	Union .....	121
“ .....	B .....	Hermann .....	125
“ .....	C .....	Rising Star .....	126
“ .....	D .....	Phoenix .....	130
“ .....	E .....	Industry .....	131
“ .....	A .....	Franklin .....	134
“ .....	F .....	Roxborough .....	135
“ .....	B .....	Mount Moriah .....	155
“ .....	D .....	Meridian Sun .....	158
“ .....	C .....	Eastern Star .....	186

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Philadelphia .....	D.....	Integrity .....	187
" .....	F.....	Kensington .....	211
" .....	F.....	Richmond .....	230
" .....	A.....	Shekinah .....	246
" .....	E.....	Keystone .....	271
" .....	B.....	Hamilton .....	274
" .....	E.....	Orient .....	289
" .....	F.....	Frankford .....	292
" .....	D.....	Melita .....	295
" .....	F.....	Mitchell .....	296
" .....	C.....	Humboldt .....	359
" .....	A.....	Corinthian .....	368
" .....	C.....	Williamson .....	369
" .....	D.....	Pennsylvania .....	380
" .....	E.....	Richard Vaux .....	384
" .....	C.....	Oriental .....	385
" .....	D.....	Apollo .....	386
" .....	C.....	Vaux .....	393
" .....	E.....	Perkins .....	402
" .....	C.....	William B. Schnider ...	419
" .....	D.....	.....	432
" .....	A.....	Mozart .....	436
" .....	E.....	Potter .....	441
" .....	B.....	Philo .....	444
" .....	A.....	Ivanhoe .....	449
" .....	B.....	Stephen Girard .....	450
" .....	A.....	Welcome .....	453
" .....	C.....	Covenant .....	456
" .....	F.....	Palestine .....	470
" .....	D.....	St. Paul's .....	481
" .....	E.....	Athelstan .....	482
" .....	E.....	Robert A. Lamberton ..	487
" .....	A.....	Excelsior .....	491
" .....	C.....	Crescent .....	493
" .....	A.....	William C. Hamilton ...	500
" .....	F.....	Jerusalem .....	506
" .....	F.....	Gothic .....	519
" .....	B.....	Philates .....	527
" .....	A.....	Mount Horeb .....	528
" .....	D.....	St. Alban .....	529
" .....	E.....	Fernwood .....	543
" .....	C.....	Equity .....	591
" .....	F.....	Tacony .....	600
" .....	B.....	E. Coppée Mitchell ....	605
" .....	C.....	Radiant Star .....	606



PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Philadelphia .....	B.....	Olivet .....	607
“ .....	A.....	Progress .....	609
“ .....	F.....	University .....	610
“ .....	F.....	Henry W. Williams ....	624
“ .....	E.....	Colonial .....	631
“ .....	B.....	Michael Arnold .....	636
“ .....	E.....	Conrad B. Day .....	645
“ .....	C.....	William L. Elkins ....	646
“ .....	D.....	Charles M. Swain .....	654
“ .....	A.....	Thomas R. Patton ....	659
“ .....	D.....	Matthias H. Henderson.	661
Philipsburg .....	No. 21.....	Moshannon .....	391
Phoenixville .....	“ 40.....	Phoenix .....	75
Pine Grove .....	“ 11.....	Pine Grove .....	409
Pittsburgh .....	“ 28 .....	.....	45
“ .....	“ 28.....	St. John's .....	219
“ .....	“ 28.....	Franklin .....	221
“ .....	“ 28.....	Solomon .....	231
“ .....	“ 28.....	Washington .....	253
“ .....	“ 47.....	Monongahela .....	269
“ .....	“ 28.....	Milnor .....	287
“ .....	“ 48.....	Hailman .....	321
“ .....	“ 28.....	McCandless .....	390
“ .....	“ 28.....	Pittsburgh .....	484
“ .....	“ 28.....	Dallas .....	508
“ .....	“ 47.....	Germania .....	509
“ .....	“ 47.....	Guyasuta .....	513
“ .....	“ 28.....	Oakland .....	535
“ .....	“ 48.....	Duquesne .....	546
“ .....	“ 28.....	Crescent .....	576
“ .....	“ 48.....	Joppa .....	608
“ .....	“ 48.....	Fort Pitt .....	634
“ .....	“ 48.....	Homewood .....	635
“ .....	“ 28.....	Geter C. Shidle .....	650
Pittsburgh, N.S (Allegheny)	“ 32.....	Allegheny .....	223
“ .....	“ 32.....	Jefferson .....	288
“ .....	“ 32.....	McKinley .....	318
“ .....	“ 32.....	Davage .....	374
“ .....	“ 32.....	Stuckrath .....	430
“ .....	“ 32.....	lonic .....	525
Pittston .....	“ 12.....	St. John's .....	233
“ .....	“ 12.....	Valley .....	499
Plymouth .....	“ 12.....	Plymouth .....	332
Port Allegany .....	“ 22.....	Liberty .....	505
Portland .....	“ 9.....	Portland .....	311

PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.	NAME.	No.
Pottstown .....	No. 40 .....	Stichter .....	254
Pottsville .....	" 11 .....	Pulaski .....	216
Punxsutawney .....	" 21 .....	John W. Jenks .....	534
Quakertown .....	" 8 .....	Quakertown .....	512
Quarryville .....	" 1 .....	Washington .....	156
Reading .....	" 7 .....	.....	62
" .....	" 7 .....	Chandler .....	227
" .....	" 7 .....	Teutonia .....	367
" .....	" 7 .....	St. John .....	435
" .....	" 7 .....	Reading .....	549
" .....	" 7 .....	Isaac Hiester .....	660
Red Lion .....	" 42 .....	Red Lion .....	649
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Patton, Thomas R. ....	659.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Pen Argyl .....	594.....	Pen Argyl .....	No. 9
Pennsylvania .....	380.....	Philadelphia .....	D
Perkins .....	402.....	Philadelphia .....	E
Perkiomen .....	595.....	East Greenville .....	No. 40
Perry .....	392.....	Erie .....	" 24
Perry .....	458.....	Marysville .....	" 19
Perseverance .....	21.....	Harrisburg .....	" 2
Petrolia .....	363.....	Oil City .....	" 23
Philadelphia .....	72.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Philanthropy .....	225.....	Greensburg .....	No. 30
Philates .....	527.....	Philadelphia .....	B
Phillips, Henry M. ....	337.....	Monongahela .....	No. 43
Philo .....	444.....	Philadelphia .....	B
Phoenix .....	75.....	Phoenixville .....	No. 40
Phoenix .....	130.....	Philadelphia .....	D
Pine .....	498.....	Linesville .....	No. 25
Pine Grove .....	409.....	Pine Grove .....	" 11
Pittsburgh .....	484.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Plymouth .....	332.....	Plymouth .....	" 12
Pollock .....	502.....	Tarentum .....	" 32
Portage .....	220.....	Hollidaysburg .....	" 20
Porter .....	284.....	Catasauqua .....	" 10
Portland .....	311.....	Portland .....	" 9
Potter .....	441.....	Philadelphia .....	E
Prince Edwin .....	486.....	Middletown .....	No. 2



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Progress .....	609.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Prospect .....	578.....	Moores .....	No. 36
Prosperity .....	567.....	Riegelsville .....	" 8
Pulaski .....	216.....	Pottsville .....	" 11
Quakertown .....	512.....	Quakertown .....	" 8
Radiant Star .....	606.....	Philadelphia .....	C
Read, John M. ....	536.....	Reynoldsville .....	No. 27
Reading .....	549.....	Reading .....	" 7
Red Lion .....	649.....	Red Lion .....	" 42
Renovo .....	495.....	Renovo .....	" 33
Richmond .....	230.....	Philadelphia .....	F
Rising Star .....	126.....	Philadelphia .....	C
Riverside .....	503.....	Wrightsville .....	No. 42
Rochester .....	229.....	Rochester .....	" 37
Roman .....	418.....	Rome .....	" 16
Roxborough .....	135.....	Philadelphia .....	F
Royersford .....	585.....	Royersford .....	No. 40
Rural Amity .....	70.....	Athens .....	" 16
St. Alban .....	529.....	Philadelphia .....	D
St. James .....	457.....	Beaver .....	No. 37
St. John's .....	115.....	Philadelphia .....	E
St. John's .....	219.....	Pittsburgh .....	No. 28
St. John's .....	233.....	Pittston .....	" 12
St. John's .....	260.....	Carlisle .....	" 3
St. John's .....	435.....	Reading .....	" 7
St. Paul's .....	481.....	Philadelphia .....	D
Salem .....	330.....	Hamlington .....	No. 14
Saucon .....	469.....	Coopersburg .....	" 10
Schiller .....	345.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Schnider, William B. ...	419.....	Philadelphia .....	C
Schuylkill .....	138.....	Orwigsburg .....	No. 11
Scott, Lucius H. ....	352.....	Chester .....	" 36
Shamokin .....	255.....	Shamokin .....	" 46
Sharon .....	250.....	Sharon .....	" 26
Sharon .....	598.....	Shingle House .....	" 44
Sharpsville .....	517.....	Sharpsville .....	" 28
Shekinah .....	246.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Shenandoah .....	511.....	Shenandoah .....	No. 11
Shenango .....	668.....	Sharon .....	" 26
Shepherd .....	463.....	Titusville .....	" 25
Shidle .....	601.....	Irwin .....	" 30
Shidle, Geter C. ....	650.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Shiloh .....	558.....	Lansdale .....	" 6

NAME.	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT
Shrewsbury .....	423.....	Shrewsbury .....	No. 4
Skerrett .....	343.....	Cochranville .....	" 5
Slatington .....	440.....	Slatington .....	" 10
Smithfield .....	428.....	East Smithfield .....	" 16
Solomon .....	231.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Solomon's .....	114.....	Philadelphia .....	B
Somerset .....	358.....	Somerset .....	No. 41
Spartan .....	372.....	Spartansburg .....	" 25
Spring City .....	553.....	Spring City .....	" 40
Stichter .....	254.....	Pottstown .....	" 40
Stillwater .....	547.....	Sugar Grove .....	" 23
Stuckrath .....	430.....	Allegheny (Pittsburgh, N.S.)	" 32
Summit .....	312.....	Ebensburg .....	" 41
Sunset .....	623.....	Washington .....	" 29
Susquehanna .....	364.....	Millersburg .....	" 2
Swatara .....	267.....	Tremont .....	" 11
Swain, Charles M. ....	654.....	Philadelphia .....	D
Swissvale .....	656.....	Swissvale .....	No. 38
Sylvania .....	354.....	Shickshinny .....	" 12
Tacony .....	600.....	Philadelphia .....	F
Tamaqua .....	238.....	Tamaqua .....	No. 11
Temple .....	248.....	Tunkhannock .....	" 16
Temple .....	412.....	Tidioute .....	" 23
Teutonia .....	367.....	Reading .....	" 7
Thomson .....	340.....	Green Tree Station .....	" 5
Tioga .....	373.....	Tioga .....	" 17
Trojan .....	306.....	Troy .....	" 16
Tyrian .....	362.....	Erie .....	" 24
Tyrian .....	612.....	Wilmerding .....	" 49
Tyrian .....	644.....	New Kensington .....	" 30
Tyrone .....	494.....	Tyrone .....	" 20
Union .....	108.....	Towanda .....	" 16
Union .....	121.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Union .....	259.....	New Brighton .....	No. 37
Union .....	291.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Union .....	324.....	Mifflintown .....	" 19
Union .....	334.....	Bradford .....	" 22
Union .....	479.....	Birdsboro .....	" 7
University .....	610.....	Philadelphia .....	F
Valley .....	459.....	Masontown .....	No. 31
Valley .....	499.....	Pittston .....	" 12
Valley .....	613.....	Turtle Creek .....	" 49
Vaux .....	393.....	Philadelphia .....	C

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Vaux .....	406.....	Hamburg .....	No. 7
Vaux, Richard .....	384.....	Philadelphia .....	E
Vaux, Richard .....	454.....	Burgettstown .....	No. 29
Verona .....	548.....	Verona .....	" 38
Wagner, George E. ....	639.....	St. Marys .....	" 33
Warren .....	240.....	Montrose .....	" 15
Warren .....	310.....	Trappe .....	" 6
Washington .....	59.....	Philadelphia .....	A
Washington .....	156.....	Quarryville .....	No. 1
Washington .....	164.....	Washington .....	" 29
Washington .....	253.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
Washington .....	265.....	Bloomsburg .....	" 35
Washington, George ...	143.....	Chambersburg .....	" 3
Waterford .....	425.....	Waterford .....	" 24
Watsonstown .....	401.....	Watsonstown .....	" 46
Wattsburg .....	533.....	Wattsburg .....	" 24
Waverly .....	301.....	Clark's Summit .....	" 13
Waymart .....	542.....	Waymart .....	" 14
Wayne .....	581.....	Wayne .....	" 6
Waynesburg .....	153.....	Waynesburg .....	" 29
Welcome .....	453.....	Philadelphia .....	A
West Chester .....	322.....	West Chester .....	No. 5
Western Crawford .....	258.....	Conneautville .....	" 25
Western Star .....	304.....	Albion .....	" 24
Westfield .....	477.....	Westfield .....	" 17
Westmoreland .....	518.....	Greensburg .....	" 30
Whitfield .....	622.....	Nazareth .....	" 9
Wilcox .....	571.....	Wilcox .....	" 33
Williams, Henry W. ...	624.....	Philadelphia .....	F
Williamson .....	307.....	Womelsdorf .....	No. 7
Williamson .....	309.....	Downingtown .....	" 5
Williamson .....	369.....	Philadelphia .....	C
Williamson .....	431.....	Saltsburg .....	No. 39
Williamson, Peter .....	323.....	Scranton .....	" 13
Woodbury .....	539.....	Roaring Spring .....	" 20
Wyalusing .....	618.....	Wyalusing .....	" 16
Wyoming .....	468.....	Wyoming .....	" 12
York .....	266.....	York .....	" 42
Youghiogheny .....	583.....	McKeesport .....	" 49
Zeredatha .....	448.....	Sharpsburg .....	" 32
Zeredatha .....	451.....	York .....	" 42



# LODGES WITHOUT NAMES.

	No.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DISTRICT.
.....	2.....	Philadelphia .....	B
.....	3.....	Philadelphia .....	B
.....	9.....	Philadelphia .....	E
.....	22.....	Sunbury .....	No. 46
.....	43.....	Lancaster .....	" 1
.....	45.....	Pittsburgh .....	" 28
.....	51.....	Philadelphia .....	E
.....	61.....	Wilkes-Barre .....	No. 12
.....	62.....	Reading .....	" 7
.....	106.....	Williamsport .....	" 18
.....	408.....	Meadville .....	" 25
.....	432.....	Philadelphia .....	D

## ABSTRACT OF RETURNS OF LODGES FOR 1910.

Mon. F. M. = Monday on or before Full Moon.

F. M. Mon. = Monday on or after Full Moon.

Mon. a. F. M. = Monday after Full Moon.

Mon. b. F. M. = Monday before Full Moon.

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2	.....	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Mon.....	216	1	14			7	224
3	.....	" .....	B	3d Tues.....	291	3	18	1		10	301
9	.....	" .....	E	1st Fri.....	486	2	38	2	1	12	511
19	Montgomery .....	" .....	D	1st Thur. ....	263	2	20	3		7	275
21	Perseverance .....	Harrisburg .....	2	2d Mon.....	459	4	41		4	5	495
22	.....	Sunbury .....	46	* .....	180	1	18			3	196
25	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	8	Sat. F. M. ...	172	2	5		1	5	173
43	.....	Lancaster.....	1	2d Wed.....	333	1	20	2	10	3	339
45	.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Wed....	454	3	26	6		5	472
51	.....	Philadelphia ....	D	4th Thur.....	150		7			8	149
52	Harmony .....	" .....	D	1st Mon.....	303	1	17		2	5	314
59	Washington.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	685	9	31	4	2	14	705
60	Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	31	1st Mon.....	145	1	6	3		4	145
61	.....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	1st Mon.....	406	2	32	2	1	9	428
62	.....	Reading .....	7	1st Mon.....	336		26	1	1	4	356
67	Concordia.....	Philadelphia ....	C	3d Thur.....	386	5	31	4	1	4	413
70	Rural Amity.....	Athens .....	16	† .....	305	3	19		5	8	314
71	La Fayette.....	Philadelphia ....	B	4th Wed.....	235	1	16	3	2	9	238
72	Philadelphia .....	" .....	A	3d Thur.....	254		14	2	1	8	257
75	Phoenix.....	Phoenixville....	40	Sat. F. M. ...	254	1	14	3	3	3	260
81	Hiram.....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Wed.....	188		8			6	190
91	Columbia .....	" .....	C	4th Mon.....	185	3	20	1		8	199
106	.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Mon.....	410	8	30		3	7	438
108	Union.....	Towanda.....	16	3d Wed.....	218	2	16			6	230
114	Solomon's.....	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Fri.....	240	1	22	3		1	259
115	St. John's.....	" .....	E	2d Mon.....	429	3	29		2	11	448
121	Union .....	" .....	A	2d Thur.....	161		8	3		9	157
125	Hermann .....	" .....	B	2d Wed.....	298	1	9			8	300
126	Rising Star.....	" .....	C	2d Mon.....	232	2	35		3	4	262
130	Phoenix.....	" .....	D	3d Wed.....	268	2	16	2		4	280
131	Industry .....	" .....	E	2d Mon.....	214	1	18		1	5	227
134	Franklin.....	" .....	A	‡ .....	162	1	7	1	1	3	165
135	Roxborough.....	" .....	F	2d Tues.....	346	1	20			5	362
138	Schuykill.....	Orwigsburg .....	11	Last Mon....	80	1	12		1		92
143	George Washington	Chambersburg...	3	2d Fri.....	219	1	10		2	4	224
144	Charity .....	Lewisburg .....	18	Tues. F. M....	116	2	9	3		2	122
152	Easton .....	Easton .....	9	1st Thur.....	251	1	9			3	258
153	Waynesburg .....	Waynesburg ....	29	2d Mon.....	188	1	13			6	196

\* No. 22 meets evening of Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Sunday; then Monday.

† No. 70 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

‡ No. 134 meets last week day of every month.



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155	Mount Moriah.....	Philadelphia.....	B	4th Tues.....	514	2	34	5	2	11	532
156	Washington.....	Quarryville.....	1	Fri. F. M. ...	97	1	1		1	1	97
158	Meridian Sun.....	Philadelphia.....	D	1st Tues.....	683	2	51	1	2	8	725
163	Evergreen.....	Monroeton.....	16	Tues. F. M....	170		6			1	175
164	Washington.....	Washington.....	29	1st Mon.....	191	4	9			7	197
186	Eastern Star.....	Philadelphia.....	C	2d Wed.....	233	3	12		4	7	237
187	Integrity.....	".....	D	2d Thur.....	248		10			11	247
190	Charity.....	Norristown.....	6	1st Mon.....	449	3	25	1	3	9	464
194	La Fayette.....	Selinsgrove.....	46	Fri. F. M....	124	4	16			2	142
197	Cumberland Star...	Carlisle.....	3	2d Tues.....	175	1	12		2	4	182
199	La Fayette.....	Lock Haven.....	33	2d Thur.....	204	1	6	2			209
203	Lewistown.....	Lewistown.....	19	*.....	231		9		1	1	238
211	Kensington.....	Philadelphia.....	F	1st Fri.....	520		22		3	12	527
216	Pulaski.....	Pottsville.....	11	3d Mon.....	242	1	3	1	1	2	242
218	Honesdale.....	Honesdale.....	14	Thur. F. M....	158	1	1		3	1	156
219	St. John's.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	2d Thur.....	654	4	39	3	1	20	673
220	Portage.....	Hollidaysburg...	20	1st Tues.....	123	1	14			2	136
221	Franklin.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	3d Thur.....	544		19	3		10	550
222	Minersville.....	Minersville.....	11	2d Thur.....	86		6			3	89
223	Allegheny.....	Allegheny.....	32	2d Mon.....	418	1	18	3	1	5	428
224	Danville.....	Danville.....	35	3d Tues.....	145		8	2		4	147
225	Philanthropy.....	Greensburg.....	30	2d Mon.....	166		17		1	3	179
226	Mount Lebanon....	Lebanon.....	7	†.....	256	1	19	3	1	5	267
227	Chandler.....	Reading.....	7	1st Tues.....	463	2	43	1	1	13	493
228	Fayette.....	Uniontown.....	31	2d Mon.....	280	1	8			7	282
229	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	37	1st Fri.....	244	3	16		1	8	254
230	Richmond.....	Philadelphia.....	F	2d Wed.....	335	2	25	5	4	12	341
231	Solomon.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	1st Thur.....	184		7			2	189
232	La Belle Vallée....	Jersey Shore....	18	1st Fri.....	170	5	8	1	2	3	177
233	St. John's.....	Pittston.....	12	‡.....	199	7	9		1	5	209
234	Crawford.....	Meadville.....	25	1st Thur.....	153	2	5	9	1	2	148
236	Chester.....	Chester.....	36	1st Thur.....	422	2	15	3	1	11	424
237	Beallsville.....	Beallsville.....	29	Wed. F. M....	116		5			3	118
238	Tamaqua.....	Tamaqua.....	11	Fri. F. M....	223		8	1		5	225
239	Armstrong.....	Freeport.....	27	3d Mon.....	85	1	3			1	88
240	Warren.....	Montrose.....	15	Wed. F. M....	98		3	2		1	98
241	North Star.....	Warren.....	23	3d Thur.....	297	2	18	1	3	1	312
242	Carbon.....	Mauch Chunk...	45	2d Wed.....	143		3	1		2	143
243	Mahoning.....	New Castle.....	26	4th Tues.....	316	4	14	1		5	328
244	Kittanning.....	Kittanning.....	27	1st Tues.....	163		5			2	166
245	Doylestown.....	Doylestown.....	8	Fri. F. M....	226		2		1		227
246	Shekinah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	3d Mon.....	620	1	19	3	1	12	624
247	Friendship.....	Mansfield.....	17	Mon. F. M....	106		6			1	111
248	Temple.....	Tunkhannock...	16	§.....	184		4			4	184
249	Carbondale.....	Carbondale.....	13	1st Wed.....	235	1	16		1	4	247
250	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	26	1st Fri.....	245	1	23	3		3	263
252	Gummert.....	Fayette City....	31	Mon. F. M....	136	1	14	1	1	4	145
253	Washington.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Tues....	431	3	26	3		10	447
254	Stichter.....	Pottstown.....	40	2d Wed.....	279	2	22		2	6	295
255	Shamokin.....	Shamokin.....	46	1st Fri.....	251		18			4	265
256	Milton.....	Milton.....	46	1st Mon.....	183		11			5	189

\* No. 203 meets second Tuesday and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 226 meets third Thursday and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

‡ No. 233 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

§ No. 248 meets Monday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day.



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258	Western Crawford.	Conneautville ...	25	1st Mon. ....	77		3			2	78
259	Union .....	New Brighton ..	37	1st Tues. ....	181	1	8		5	2	183
260	St. John's.....	Carlisle.....	3	3d Thur. ....	197		13			3	207
261	Hiram .....	Scranton.....	13	2d Wed. ....	166		20	3	1	2	180
262	Orrstown.....	Orrstown.....	3	Thur. F. M. ...	58		2		2	1	57
263	Franklin.....	Laceyville.....	16	Tues. F. M. ...	103	1	1	1	2	1	101
264	Columbus.....	Columbus.....	23	Thur. F. M. ...	43						43
265	Washington.....	Bloomsburg.....	35	3d Mon. ....	221		13			4	230
266	York .....	York.....	42	* .....	238	1	17	1	1	7	247
267	Swatara.....	Tremont .....	11	2d Thur. ....	136		7			1	142
268	Bellefonte.....	Bellefonte.....	21	Tues. F. M. ...	209		9	3	2	3	216
269	Monongahela.....	Pittsburgh .....	47	1st Fri. ....	504		33	2		10	525
270	Page .....	Schuylkill Haven	11	2d Fri. ....	126		7		1	2	130
271	Keystone.....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Mon. ....	263		17		3	2	275
272	Butler .....	Butler .....	27	1st Thur. ....	272	4	26	1		4	297
273	Cassia.....	Ardmore.....	6	1st Thur. ....	359	6	31	4	1	3	388
274	Hamilton .....	Philadelphia ....	B	4th Tues. ....	335	2	21	4		7	347
275	Loyalhanna.....	Latrobe.....	30	1st Mon. ....	131	1	5				137
276	Hobah .....	Brookville.....	27	2d Mon. ....	163		3		1	3	162
277	Clarion .....	Clarion .....	27	1st Mon. ....	159	1	7		1	4	162
278	Cambria .....	Johnstown .....	41	2d Tues. ....	324	3	21	3	2	5	338
281	Mountain .....	Altoona.....	20	3d Tues. ....	280	1	17	3	1	6	288
282	Juniata .....	Hollidaysburg...	20	2d Mon. ....	139	1	8			5	143
283	Bethlehem.....	Bethlehem .....	9	1st Tues. ....	188	1	13	3	1	3	195
284	Porter .....	Catasauqua.....	10	1st Fri. ....	173		9	1	1	4	176
285	Anthracite.....	St. Clair.....	11	3d Wed. ....	104	1	2			1	106
286	Columbia .....	Columbia .....	1	1st Thur. ....	199	2	5			5	201
287	Milnor .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	3d Tues. ....	759	3	49	3	4	11	793
288	Jefferson .....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Wed. ....	138		8		2	3	141
289	Orient .....	Philadelphia ....	E	4th Fri. ....	298		10	2	1	10	295
290	Eureka .....	Greenville.....	26	1st Mon. ....	189		28	1	1	2	213
291	Union .....	Scranton.....	13	1st Fri. ....	461	2	22	2	1	5	477
292	Frankford.....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Tues. ....	392	3	20	5	4	12	394
294	Ashland .....	Ashland .....	11	2d Thur. ....	166		14		1	3	176
295	Melita .....	Philadelphia ....	D	4th Wed. ....	554	5	31	1	3	7	579
296	Mitchell .....	" .....	F	2d Thur. ....	363	2	19	1	1	10	372
297	Chartiers.....	Canonsburg .....	29	2d Mon. ....	118		2	1	1		118
298	Geo. W. Bartram..	Media .....	36	2d Mon. ....	195	3	9		1	2	204
299	Muncy.....	Muncy .....	18	1st Thur. ....	182		5	2		4	181
300	Mount Moriah....	Huntingdon.....	34	2d Mon. ....	184		8		1	7	184
301	Waverly.....	Clark's Summit..	13	Tues. F. M. ...	127		11	1		1	136
302	Eureka .....	Mechanicsburg ..	3	1st Mon. ....	176	3	9			3	185
303	Oil Creek .....	Titusville .....	25	1st & 3d Tues.	152	4	4			5	155
304	Western Star.....	Albion.....	24	1st & 3d Tues.	98	1	7		1	4	101
305	Hawley.....	Hawley.....	14	Tues. F. M. ...	68		7	2	1	2	70
306	Trojan .....	Troy.....	16	2d Tues. ....	125	5	13			4	139
307	Williamson.....	Womelsdorf.....	7	1st Thur. ....	145	6	15	1	3	3	159
308	Fort Washington..	Fort Washington	8	3d Sat. ....	116		8	2	2		120
309	Williamson.....	Downingtown...	5	Fri. F. M. ...	129		8		1		136
310	Warren.....	Trappe .....	6	Sat. F. M. ...	118	1	6		1	5	119
311	Portland .....	Portland .....	9	Thur. F. M. ...	77		14			4	87

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312	Summit.....	Ebensburg .....	41	2d Tues.....	209		6	1	1	2	211
313	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	39	2d Tues.....	148		8	1	1	2	152
314	Clearfield .....	Clearfield.....	21	1st Mon.....	172	1	4		1	4	172
315	Cumberland Valley	Shippensburg....	3	2d Fri.....	78	2	4	1			83
316	Myrtle.....	Franklin.....	23	1st Mon.....	253	2	15		1	3	266
317	Ossea .....	Wellsboro.....	17	1st Tues.....	189	2	9	1	2	3	194
318	McKinley.....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Tues.....	427	2	25	3	1	13	437
319	Adams .....	New Bloomfield .	19	Wed. F. M....	68		10			1	77
320	Bedford.....	Bedford.....	34	2d Thur .....	133		11		1	3	140
321	Hailman.....	Pittsburgh .....	48	3d Tues.....	378	1	18	2		5	390
322	West Chester.....	West Chester....	5	1st Mon.....	230	1	18	2		4	243
323	Peter Williamson..	Scranton.....	13	1st Tues.....	493	9	29	10	1	10	510
324	Union .....	Mifflintown .....	19	2d Thur.....	126	1	11			4	134
325	Barger.....	Stroudsburg .....	9	1st Tues.....	197		19			4	212
326	Lehigh .....	Trexlerstown.....	10	Tues. F. M....	98		2		1	4	95
327	Hazle.....	Hazleton.....	45	1st Mon.....	255		18			3	270
328	Freedom.....	Jackson.....	15	Wed. F. M....	58		3		1		60
330	Salem.....	Hamlinton .....	14	Mon. F. M....	87		4				91
331	Ligonier.....	Ligonier .....	30	Fri. b. F. M..	112		4	2			114
332	Plymouth.....	Plymouth.....	12	* .....	122	1	2	1		2	122
333	Barger.....	Allentown .....	10	3d Fri.....	276		12			4	284
334	Union .....	Bradford.....	22	2d Thur.....	408	4	2	2	3	5	404
335	Eureka .....	Montoursville ...	18	Fri. b. F. M..	108	1	11				120
336	Good Samaritan ...	Gettysburg.....	4	2d Thur.....	127	1	4			2	130
337	Henry M. Phillips.	Monongahela....	43	2d Tues.....	213		8	4		4	213
338	Great Bend.....	Great Bend.....	15	2d Tues.....	77	1	2	3			77
339	Hyde Park.....	Scranton.....	13	1st Mon.....	391	3	18	2	1	3	406
340	Thomson.....	Green Tree.....	5	Wed. F. M....	196	1	11		1		207
341	Factoryville.....	Factoryville.....	15	Tues. F. M....	105	2	9	3		2	111
342	Eulalia .....	Coudersport .....	44	† .....	182	2	7	2	1		188
343	Skerrett.....	Cochranville.....	5	Tues. F. M....	153		2		1	1	153
344	Milford .....	Milford .....	14	Wed. F. M....	75		7			1	81
345	Schiller.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Mon.....	361	1	8	2	2	6	360
346	King Solomon's...	Connellsville ...	31	1st Tues.....	227	8	10		1	5	239
347	Lake Erie.....	Girard .....	24	1st Wed.....	114	1	11	1	1	2	122
348	Patmos .....	Hanover .....	4	2d Tues.....	144		11	2			153
349	Catawissa.....	Catawissa .....	35	Tues. b. F. M.	116	1	3	1		5	114
350	Bloss.....	Blossburg.....	17	Sat. F. M....	184	1	8	3	6	4	180
351	Cowanesque.....	Knoxville.....	17	Wed. F. M....	86		4		1	2	87
352	Lucius H. Scott....	Chester .....	36	1st Tues.....	302		6	1		3	304
353	Oxford.....	Oxford.....	36	Wed. F. M....	179		9			1	187
354	Sylvania .....	Shickshinny.....	12	Mon. F. M....	97		6			3	100
355	Acacia.....	Blairsville.....	39	2d Thur.....	145		8		1	2	150
357	Mahanoy City.....	Mahanoy City....	11	3d Thur.....	123		3		2	4	120
358	Somerset.....	Somerset.....	41	2d Tues.....	152		8				160
359	Humboldt.....	Philadelphia ....	C	4th Thur.....	149		9			6	152
360	Canawacta .....	Susquehanna ....	15	1st Fri.....	143	5	13			6	155
361	Big Spring.....	Newville .....	3	2d Thur.....	86		8				94
362	Tyrian .....	Erie .....	24	1st Fri.....	217	2	11		2	6	222
363	Petrolia .....	Oil City.....	23	1st Fri.....	413	5	35	1	2	6	444
364	Susquehanna .....	Millersburg .....	2	1st Fri.....	92					2	90

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† No. 342 meets second and fourth Wednesdays, except December, which shall be second Wednesday.



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365	Corry .....	Corry .....	24	1st Tues. ....	111	1	6		3	2	113
366	Eureka .....	Union City .....	24	1st Fri. ....	78		7	1		4	80
367	Teutonia .....	Reading .....	7	3d Thur. ....	115		4	1		4	114
368	Corinthian .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues. ....	207	3	10	4		6	210
369	Williamson .....	" .....	C	3d Thur. ....	175	1	9	2		5	178
370	Mifflinburg .....	Mifflinburg .....	18	Mon. F. M. ...	100		2	2			100
371	Lamberton .....	Thompsons town ..	19	Mon. F. M. ...	37		1			1	37
372	Spartan .....	Spartansburg ....	25	1st Mon. ....	51	2	2		2	1	52
373	Tioga .....	Tioga .....	17	3d Thur. ....	90		3		1		92
374	Davage .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur. ....	348	4	22	6		6	362
375	Alliquippa .....	McKeesport .....	38	1st Tues. ....	358	1	17	3	2	1	370
376	McVeytown .....	McVeytown .....	19	1st Tues. ....	61				1	2	58
377	Huguenot .....	Kutztown .....	7	Sat. F. M. ...	148		12	1		1	158
378	Mount Carmel ....	Mt. Carmel ....	46	2d Thur. ....	128					3	125
379	Elk .....	Ridgway .....	33	2d & 4th Tues.	217	7	11	1	1	2	231
380	Pennsylvania .....	Philadelphia ....	D	1st Tues. ....	190		22		2	3	207
381	Newport .....	Newport .....	19	1st Tues. ....	86	1	6			1	92
382	Emporium .....	Emporium .....	33	2d Tues. ....	133	1	7		2	4	135
383	Goddard .....	Coatesville .....	5	1st Tues. ....	180		18		1	4	193
384	Richard Vaux ....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Mon. ....	307	2	29	2	2	6	328
385	Oriental .....	" .....	C	1st Thur. ....	601	3	62	5	2	11	648
386	Apollo .....	" .....	D	3d Wed. ....	371	6	17	4	1	9	380
388	McKean .....	Smethport .....	22	2d & 4th Wed.	109	1	8				118
389	Kedron .....	West Middlesex ..	26	1st Mon. ....	60		6		1	1	64
390	McCandless .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Wed. ....	366		24		3	9	378
391	Moshannon .....	Philipsburg ....	21	2d Thur. ....	180		7		2	1	184
392	Perry .....	Erie .....	24	2d Tues. ....	259	6	14		2	4	273
393	Vaux .....	Philadelphia ....	C	4th Tues. ....	260		33	4		4	285
395	Kingston .....	Kingston .....	12	2d Wed. ....	199	2	14			3	212
396	Dallas .....	Easton .....	9	1st Tues. ....	305		13	5	3	5	305
397	Ivy .....	Williamsport ....	18	1st Tues. ....	357	4	29			8	382
398	Ashara .....	Marietta .....	1	Mon. F. M. ...	87		7			4	90
399	North East .....	North East .....	24	1st Wed. ....	136	3	10			2	147
400	Friendship .....	Jenkintown ....	8	2d Tues. ....	252	1	41	4		3	287
401	Watson town .....	Watson town ....	46	Wed. F. M. ...	113		6			4	115
402	Perkins .....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Fri. ....	297	3	17	1	1	12	303
404	Eureka .....	Northumberland ..	46	3d Mon. ....	78		9			4	83
405	Howell .....	Honey Brook ....	5	Wed. F. M. ...	120		4			1	123
406	Vaux .....	Hamburg .....	7	2d Thur. ....	166		9			3	172
408	.....	Meadville .....	25	1st Mon. ....	111		9	1	2		117
409	Pine Grove .....	Pine Grove .....	11	1st Mon. ....	70		7			2	75
410	W. K. Bray .....	Hatboro. ....	8	Wed. F. M. ...	116	1	14			2	129
411	Meridian .....	Enon Valley ....	37	Fri. F. M. ...	77		2			2	77
412	Temple .....	Tidioute .....	23	2d Tues. ....	66		4		1		69
413	Manoquesy .....	Bath .....	9	2d Thur. ....	78		8			3	83
414	Elysburg .....	Elysburg .....	46	Thur. F. M. ...	52					1	51
415	Canton .....	Canton .....	16	Tues. F. M. ...	132	1	2	3		3	129
416	Oasis .....	Edinboro .....	24	2d & 4th Tues.	49	2	4		2	2	51
417	Christiana .....	Christiana .....	1	Thur. F. M. ...	162	2	7	1		6	164
418	Roman .....	Rome .....	16	Sat. F. M. ...	54	1	1	2			54
419	Wm. B. Schnider ..	Philadelphia ....	C	2d Tues. ....	505	2	28	3		6	526



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420	Fritz .....	Conshohocken...	6	3d Tues.....	175	1	21	2	1	2	192
421	Osceola .....	Elkland .....	17	2d Fri.....	68		5	2			71
423	Shrewsbury .....	Shrewsbury .....	4	Tues. F. M....	88	1	2	1		1	89
424	Adelphic .....	Jamestown.....	26	1st Tues.....	71	1	7	4	1	2	72
425	Waterford.....	Waterford .....	24	Tues. F. M....	91		6	1	1	1	94
426	Cressona.....	Cressona .....	11	Thur. F. M....	76		2				78
427	Newtown.....	Newtown .....	8	Wed. F. M....	122		3		5	1	119
428	Smithfield.....	East Smithfield..	16	* .....	41		2		1		42
429	Harmony .....	Zelienople.....	37	Thur. F. M....	85	2	5			2	90
430	Stuckrath .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur.....	500	2	27		3	4	522
431	Williamson .....	Saltsburg .....	39	1st Tues.....	60		13			1	72
432	.....	Philadelphia .....	D	2d Thur.....	345	1	10		1	5	350
433	Lodge of the Craft..	New Castle.....	26	3d Tues.....	299	4	22	2		2	321
434	Lake .....	Sandy Lake.....	26	2d Thur.....	155	1	3	2		4	153
435	St. John's.....	Reading.....	7	1st Fri.....	257		37			1	293
436	Mozart .....	Philadelphia .....	A	2d Tues.....	345	7	30		5	3	374
437	Apollo .....	Apollo.....	39	2d Tues.....	89		5	2			92
438	Nicholson.....	Nicholson.....	15	Sat. F. M....	105	1	2	2		1	105
439	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	15	1st Mon.....	91		1		5		87
440	Slatington.....	Slatington.....	10	Thur. F. M....	109		11	1	2	1	116
441	Potter .....	Philadelphia .....	E	3d Fri.....	446	1	48	1	2	16	476
442	Landmark .....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	2d Mon.....	420	4	26	2	2	6	440
443	Mount Pisgah.....	Greencastle.....	3	Tues. F. M....	88		14	2	2		98
444	Philo.....	Philadelphia .....	B	3d Tues.....	289		19	2	1	3	302
445	Harford.....	Hop Bottom.....	15	Thurs. F. M....	70		11			2	79
446	Mount Pickering...	Upper Uwchlan..	40	Mon. b. F. M..	147		3			3	147
447	Claysville.....	Claysville.....	29	Fri. F. M....	75		10	1		1	83
448	Zeredatha.....	Sharpsburg.....	32	2d Thur.....	285		14			4	295
449	Ivanhoe .....	Philadelphia .....	A	2d Thur.....	329	1	30	4		7	349
450	Stephen Girard ....	" .....	B	4th Wed.....	276	6	23	1		4	300
451	Zeredatha .....	York .....	42	† .....	191	1	14	3	1	3	199
453	Welcome.....	Philadelphia .....	A	3d Thur.....	255	2	6	2	2	1	258
454	Richard Vaux.....	Burgettstown....	29	4th Fri.....	115	1	7		1	2	120
455	Keystone.....	Erie .....	24	3d Tues.....	271		14	1		2	282
456	Covenant .....	Philadelphia .....	C	2d Tues.....	302		19		2	12	307
457	St. James.....	Beaver.....	37	Thur. F. M....	168	3	24	5		2	188
458	Perry.....	Marysville .....	19	1st Tues.....	91		4			2	93
459	Valley.....	Masontown.....	31	Thur. F. M....	134		6				140
460	Oriental.....	Orangeville.....	35	F. M. Tues....	103		3	1			105
461	Monongahela Valley	Coal Center.....	43	3d Mon.....	118	1	3				122
462	Knapp.....	Berwick .....	45	F. M. Fri....	191		20	1	1	3	206
463	Shepherd.....	Titusville .....	25	1st & 3d Mon..	115	4	5	2			122
464	Robert Burns.....	Harrisburg.....	2	3d Thur.....	509	2	40	2	1	3	545
465	Hebron.....	New Oxford.....	4	3d Mon.....	85	1					86
466	Kingsbury .....	Olyphant .....	13	1st Fri.....	101	1	17		1		118
467	Laurel .....	White Haven....	45	Mon. F. M....	75	1			1		75
468	Wyoming .....	Wyoming.....	12	Last Fri.....	100		8			1	107
469	Saucon.....	Coopersburg.....	10	Tues. F. M....	58	1	3				62
470	Palestine.....	Philadelphia .....	F	2d Thur.....	254		19	2	1	3	267
471	Le Ray.....	Le Raysville....	16	Sat. F. M....	48	1	3			1	51
472	Mount Hermon....	Uniondale.....	15	Fri. F. M....	56		3				59

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473	Covenant .....	Cambridge Spr'gs	25	2d & 4th Fri..	146	1	7	1	1	2	150
474	Coalville.....	Ashley.....	12	2d Tues.....	148		6	2		1	151
475	Kennett.....	Kennett Square..	36	Thur. F. M...	146		6			2	150
476	Lamberton .....	Lancaster .....	1	1st Tues.....	297		12	1	1	1	306
477	Westfield .....	Westfield .....	17	Sat. F. M....	136	1	6		1	2	140
478	Beaver Valley.....	Beaver Falls.....	37	3d Tues.....	171		9		1	2	177
479	Union .....	Birdsboro .....	7	Thur. F. M...	121	1	7			1	128
480	Noble.....	Curwensville ....	21	Tues. F. M...	109		2			1	110
481	St. Paul's.....	Philadelphia ....	D	1st Thur.....	550	5	43	12	1	3	582
482	Athelstan.....	" .....	E	1st Tues.....	207	2	9			8	210
483	Fraternal .....	Rouseville.....	23	1st & 3d Wed.	101		3				104
484	Pittsburgh .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Mon.....	565	2	40		1	9	597
485	Glasgow .....	Smith's Ferry ...	37	Tues. F. M...	80		6		1	2	83
486	Prince Edwin.....	Middletown.....	2	1st Mon.....	118	1	3	1	13	2	106
487	Rob't A. Lamberton	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Tues.....	265	2	23	1		4	285
490	Logan .....	Altoona.....	20	1st Tues.....	297		17		3		311
491	Excelsior.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed.....	301		13	4		4	306
493	Crescent .....	" .....	C	2d Mon.....	291	2	17		2	9	299
494	Tyrone .....	Tyrone .....	20	3d Mon.....	222	1	4	3	1	2	221
495	Renovo.....	Renovo .....	33	1st Tues.....	158		16		1	2	171
496	Charles M. Howell.	Millersville.....	1	Fri. F. M....	109		11			1	119
498	Pine .....	Linesville.....	25	1st Tues.....	54	2	7	1		1	61
499	Valley.....	Pittston.....	12	1st Thur.....	204	2	14			3	217
500	Wm. C. Hamilton.	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed.....	550	5	50	6	4	9	586
502	Pollock .....	Tarentum .....	32	1st Thur.....	221	2	20		2	3	238
503	Riverside.....	Wrightsville ....	42	3d Mon.....	75		6			4	77
504	Moscow .....	Moscow.....	13	Fri. F. M....	79	1	10			3	87
505	Liberty .....	Port Allegany...	22	1st Tues.....	79	1	6				86
506	Jerusalem.....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Thur.....	333	1	30			2	362
507	New Milford.....	New Milford ....	15	3d Wed.....	40	1	2			3	40
508	Dallas .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Fri.....	824	6	47		3	6	868
509	Germania.....	" .....	47	2d Fri.....	172		6			6	172
510	Braddock's Field...	Braddock .....	38	3d Tues.....	371	1	14			2	384
511	Shenandoah .....	Shenandoah .....	11	Wed. b. F. M.	94		8			1	101
512	Quakertown.....	Quakertown. ....	8	Thur. F. M...	107		6		1	3	109
513	Guyasuta.....	Pittsburgh .....	47	3d Tues.....	238	1	11	2	1	2	245
515	Osceola .....	Osceola Mills....	21	2d Mon.....	150		13			2	161
516	Mahoning.....	Danville .....	35	2d Tues.....	161		6		1	1	165
517	Sharpsville.....	Sharpsville.....	26	1st Thur.....	73	1	2		2	1	73
518	Westmoreland .....	Greensburg.....	30	3d Tues.....	177		2	1	1	2	175
519	Gothic .....	Philadelphia ....	F	3d Thur.....	280	3	26	3		3	303
520	Canby .....	St. Petersburg...	27	1st Thur.....	95		4				99
521	Parker City.....	Parker's Landing	27	1st Mon.....	90	1	2			2	91
522	New Bethlehem ...	New Bethlehem..	27	1st Wed.....	177		9		1	5	180
523	Aurora .....	Jermyn.....	13	3d Tues.....	79		1	1			79
524	Everett .....	Everett.....	34	Fri. F. M....	150	1	7				158
525	Ionic.....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Mon .....	446	1	33	1		7	472
526	Stephen Bayard....	Elizabeth .....	43	3d Mon.....	130		13	2	1	1	139
527	Philates.....	Philadelphia ....	B	2d Fri.....	203	2	12	4			213
528	Mount Horeb.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	263	3	13	1	3	1	274
529	St. Alban.....	" .....	D	1st Thur.....	280	1	14		1	6	288



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530	Bellevue.....	Bellevue .....	32	3d Mon. ....	399	3	27			4	425
531	George M. Dallas..	Dallas .....	12	Thur. F. M...	74		3				77
532	Driftwood.....	Driftwood.....	33	2d Fri.....	97		5	1	1	1	99
533	Wattsburg.....	Wattsburg .....	24	2d Fri.....	43		3	3			43
534	John W. Jenks....	Punxsutawney ..	21	1st Tues.....	169		7		2	1	173
535	Oakland .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Mon.....	177	1	10			4	184
536	John M. Read.....	Reynoldsville....	27	2d Tues. ....	86		9				95
537	Old Fort .....	Centre Hall .....	21	Mon. F. M...	77	1	1			1	78
538	Johnstown.....	Johnstown.....	41	1st Thur.....	247	2	12	1		2	258
539	Woodbury.....	Roaring Spring..	20	Thur. F. M...	108	1	6	1	1	1	112
540	Argyle.....	Chicora.....	27	Wed. F. M...	178		3	10		1	170
541	Nanticoke.....	Nanticoke.....	12	2d Thur.....	186		7			2	191
542	Waymart.....	Waymart.....	14	Tues. F. M...	45		1			2	44
543	Fernwood.....	Philadelphia .....	E	4th Thur.....	400	5	22	2	3	6	416
544	Centennial .....	Carnegie.....	47	1st Mon.....	311	2	17		1	3	326
545	New London.....	West Grove.....	36	Mon. F. M...	94	1	4	1		1	97
546	Duquesne.....	Pittsburgh .....	48	2d Thur.....	455	1	23		3	6	470
547	Stillwater.....	Sugar Grove.....	23	Fri. F. M...	51		8	2	2	1	54
548	Verona .....	Verona .....	38	1st Tues.....	106		15		2	1	118
549	Reading .....	Reading .....	7	4th Thur.....	310		20		1	5	324
550	Edenburg.....	Edenburg.....	27	1st Tues.....	47					1	46
551	Casiphia .....	Mount Joy.....	1	Fri. F. M...	76		7			4	79
552	Allegheny Valley..	Emlenton.....	27	2d Tues.....	106		4			1	109
553	Spring City .....	Spring City .....	40	Thur. F. M...	150		7			6	151
554	Meyersdale.....	Meyersdale.....	41	1st Mon.....	163		7			4	166
555	Northern Star .....	Duke Centre .....	22	1st & 3d Tues.	79	1		2	1		77
556	Lewisville.....	Ulysses .....	44	1st & 3d Wed.	80	1	5	3		1	82
557	Olive .....	Tionesta .....	23	2d Mon. ....	85	1	4	1		1	88
558	Shiloh .....	Lansdale.....	6	2d Tues.....	140		29		2	1	166
559	Garfield.....	Du Bois.....	21	1st Thur.....	203		13	1	2	3	210
560	Eldred.....	Eldred.....	22	2d & 4th Tues.	66		5	8	1	1	61
561	Greenleaf .....	Allentown .....	10	3d Thur.....	308		10			2	316
562	Marion .....	Scottdale.....	30	2d Thur.....	161	1	11	1		1	171
563	Hellertown.....	Hellertown.....	9	3d Fri.....	77		5			2	80
564	Coatesville .....	Coatesville .....	5	2d Thur.....	171		10	3		3	175
565	Bangor .....	Bangor.....	9	2d Wed.....	112		7				119
566	Kane .....	Kane.....	33	1st Wed.....	139	4	12		1	2	152
567	Prosperity.....	Riegelsville .....	8	Fri. F. M...	71	1	2	1			73
568	La Monte.....	Derry Station....	30	1st Thur.....	88		2	1		1	88
569	Keystone.....	Parkesburg.....	5	F. M. Fri. ...	98		4			1	101
570	Ashlar .....	Lykens .....	2	Tues. F. M...	127		5			1	131
571	Wilcox .....	Wilcox .....	33	1st & 3d Tues.	83		1			1	83
572	Cromwell.....	Orbisonia .....	34	Last Tues. ...	79	1	3				83
573	Corinthian.....	Millvale Borough	32	4th Tues.....	153	1	6	2	1	1	156
574	Coalport.....	Coalport .....	21	4th Mon.....	109	1	8			1	117
575	Hebron.....	Mercer.....	26	2d Mon.....	113		6			1	118
576	Crescent .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Tues.....	280	1	8	2		2	285
577	Leechburg .....	Leechburg .....	27	2d Thur.....	88		4			2	90
578	Prospect .....	Moores .....	36	1st Thur.....	151	3	25	1	3	2	173
579	Acacia .....	Taylor.....	13	1st Mon.....	204		15	8	2	3	206
580	Arcana .....	Austin.....	44	2d & 4th Wed.	84	2	3	3			86



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581	Wayne .....	Wayne .....	6	3d Tues. ....	110		8		1		117
582	Homestead.....	Homestead .....	38	3d Mon. ....	302		20		1	2	319
583	Youghiogheny.....	McKeesport .....	38	3d Tues. ....	340		28		3	3	362
584	King Solomon.....	Dunmore.....	13	1st Mon.....	136	1	9			1	145
585	Royersford.....	Royersford .....	40	2d Fri.....	111		5	1	1	2	112
586	Acacia.....	Waynesboro.....	4	3d Fri.....	123		4		1	1	125
587	Manheim .....	Manheim .....	1	Mon. F. M....	126		8		13		121
588	Oriental Star .....	Peckville .....	13	2d Tues. ....	110		10				120
589	Hyndman.....	Hyndman.....	34	3d Mon. ....	65		2	1		1	65
590	Orient.....	Wilkinsburg .....	38	1st Tues.....	437	4	30	5	1	2	463
591	Equity .....	Philadelphia .....	C	2d Wed.....	235		25	4	2	2	252
592	Adelpha.....	Harrison Valley..	44	2d & 4th Tues.	45		2				47
593	Blyth .....	West Newton ...	30	Mon. F. M....	122		8		1	1	128
594	Pen Argyl.....	Pen Argyl .....	9	1st Thur.....	81		1			2	80
595	Perkiomen.....	East Greenville..	40	F. M. Tues...	56	1	3				60
596	MacCalla .....	Sellersville .....	8	2d Mon. ....	88		5		2		91
597	Green Ridge.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Fri.....	222		7			3	226
598	Sharon .....	Shingle House...	44	2d & 4th Thur.	89	1	9			1	98
599	Ellwood .....	Ellwood City....	26	3d Wed.....	94	1	12	1	1	2	103
600	Tacony .....	Philadelphia .....	F	3d Tues. ....	207		19			4	222
601	Shidle .....	Irwin .....	30	1st Tues.....	117		16			4	129
602	Galeton.....	Galeton.....	44	1st & 3d Tues.	128		5			1	132
603	Grove City.....	Grove City.....	26	3d Tues. ....	130	1	14	2		2	141
604	Garfield.....	McDonald .....	29	2d Tues.....	154	1	12	3			164
605	E. Coppée Mitchell	Philadelphia .....	B	3d Mon. ....	257		20	4	3	6	264
606	Radiant Star.....	" .....	C	4th Mon.....	135	1	10	1	1	2	142
607	Olivet .....	" .....	B	4th Tues.....	405	5	23	6	3	8	416
608	Joppa .....	Pittsburgh .....	48	1st Tues.....	211		11	1	2	3	216
609	Progress .....	Philadelphia .....	A	4th Wed.....	260		34			1	293
610	University.....	" .....	E	4th Fri.....	875	4	43	1	5	7	909
611	Arbutus .....	Freeland.....	45	3d Tues.....	107		4				111
612	Tyrian .....	Wilmerding.....	38	1st Thur.....	226	1	12	1	3	1	234
613	Valley.....	Turtle Creek.....	38	2d Tues.....	153	3	16	3	1		168
614	James Cochran ....	Dawson.....	31	2d Tues.....	70		4	2		1	71
615	Charleroi.....	Charleroi.....	43	2d Thur.....	192		10		3		199
616	Hiram .....	Altoona.....	20	3d Thur.....	129		15		1	2	141
617	Kiskiminetas.....	Vandergrift.....	39	1st Tues.....	114		13				127
618	Wyalusing.....	Wyalusing.....	16	Fri. F. M....	75		5			3	77
619	Middleburg .....	Middleburg .....	46	* .....	74		5		1	1	77
620	Norristown.....	Norristown.....	6	3d Mon.....	228	3	33	2	1	3	258
621	Lehighton .....	Lehighton .....	45	1st Thur.....	111		8	1	2		116
622	Whitfield.....	Nazareth.....	9	2d Mon.....	82		3			1	84
623	Sunset .....	Washington.....	29	3d Mon.....	105	2	11				118
624	Henry W. Williams	Philadelphia .....	F	2d Tues.....	118		4	4	2		116
625	Concord.....	Concordville.....	36	Wed. F. M....	100		6				106
626	Donora .....	Donora.....	43	3d Tues.....	102	2	12	2			114
627	Mount Jewett.....	Mount Jewett ...	22	4th Mon.....	70		7				77
628	J. Simpson Africa .	East Stroudsburg.	9	4th Thur.....	89		12			2	99
629	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	2	1st 'Thur. ....	199	2	29	2		3	225
630	Doric.....	Sewickley.....	32	2d Thur.....	118	1	7		1		125
631	Colonial .....	Philadelphia .....	E	1st Fri.....	64	2	4			1	69

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632	Maclay .....	Sunbury .....	46	Fri. a. F.M. .	147	1	13	1		1	159
633	Acacia .....	Marienville .....	23	1st Wed. ....	41		8		1		48
634	Fort Pitt .....	Pittsburgh .....	48	1st Mon. ....	212	1	18		3		228
635	Homewood .....	" .....	48	3d Mon. ....	191		21		2	1	209
636	Michael Arnold. .	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Mon. ....	119	1	8				128
637	Chapman .....	Northampton ...	9	2d Wed. ....	93		10			1	102
638	Monessen .....	Monessen .....	43	1st Tues. ....	108	1	17			1	125
639	George E. Wagner.	Saint Marys .....	33	1st Mon. ....	85		6		1	1	89
640	East Brady .....	East Brady .....	27	1st Thur. ....	86		3			2	87
641	McKeesport .....	McKeesport .....	38	2d Fri. ....	185	4	23			1	211
642	New Castle .....	New Castle .....	26	1st Mon. ....	145		18	1	1	2	159
643	Belle Vernon .....	Belle Vernon ....	43	1st Mon. ....	66	1	8				75
644	Tyrian .....	New Kensington.	30	2d Tues. ....	60		7				67
645	Conrad B. Day ....	Philadelphia ....	E	2d Fri. ....	83		8		1		90
646	William L. Elkins.	" .....	C	1st Thur. ....	197	3	25	1			224
647	Beta .....	Wilkinsburg ....	38	3d Mon. ....	213	1	26		1	1	238
648	H. Stanley Goodwin	South Bethlehem	9	3d Wed. ....	116	2	15		2	3	128
649	Red Lion. ....	Red Lion .....	42	Thur. F. M. .	75	1	7				83
650	Geter C. Shidle. .	Pittsburgh .....	28	4th Thur. ....	117	1	17			1	134
651	Laurel .....	Uniontown .....	31	1st Mon. ....	46	1	9				56
652	La Fayette .....	Carnegie .....	47	1st Tues. ....	124		14			1	137
653	Crafton .....	Crafton .....	47	2d Fri. ....	190	2	23	1	2	1	211
654	Charles M. Swain .	Philadelphia ....	D	1st Fri. ....	119	1	22				142
655	Fidelity .....	Wilkes-Barre ...	12	1st Tues. ....	176		26				202
656	Swissvale .....	Swissvale .....	38	2d Mon. ....	69	1	19	1			88
657	Avalon .....	Bellevue .....	32	1st Tues. ....	130	3	21			1	153
658	Patton .....	Patton .....	41	3d Tues. ....	59		9				68
659	Thomas R. Patton..	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed. ....	73	3	22				98
660	Isaac Hiester .....	Reading .....	7	3d Mon. ....	200	1	31				232
661	Mat. H. Henderson	Philadelphia ....	D	3d Fri. ....	59	3	10		2	1	69
662	Parian .....	Beaver Falls ....	37	1st Fri. ....	65		14				79
663	Friendship .....	Fawn Grove ....	42	Wed. F. M. .		21	5				26
664	Moosic .....	Moosic .....	13	2d Mon. ....		28	16				44
665	Ephrata .....	Ephrata .....	1	2d Tues. ....		28	13			1	40
666	Brownstone .....	Hummelstown ...	2	2d Tues. ....		21	8				29

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Number of Lodges December 27, 1909.....	477
Lodges constituted during the year 1910 .....	4
Number of Lodges December 27, 1910.....	481

Membership of Lodges December 27, 1909.....		92116
Admitted during the year 1910 .....	636	
Initiated during the year 1910 .....	6008	
		6644
Suspended and expelled during the year 1910....	476	
Resigned during the year 1910.....	413	
Deceased during the year 1910.....	1449	
		2338
Increase during the year 1910.....		4306
Membership December 27, 1910.....		96422



## ABSTRACT OF RETURNS OF LODGES FOR 1911.

Mon. F. M. = Monday on or before Full Moon.

F. M. Mon. = Monday on or after Full Moon.

Mon. a. F. M. = Monday after Full Moon.

Mon. b. F. M. = Monday before Full Moon.

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2	.....	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Mon.....	224	1	12		2	5	230
3	.....	" .....	B	3d Tues.....	301	3	25		1	2	326
9	.....	" .....	E	1st Fri. ....	511	3	40	8	2	12	532
19	Montgomery .....	" .....	D	1st Thur. ....	275	3	9	3		9	275
21	Perseverance .....	Harrisburg.....	2	2d Mon.....	495	7	31			7	526
22	.....	Sunbury .....	46	* .....	196		16			2	210
25	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	8	Sat. F. M. ...	173		7			2	178
43	.....	Lancaster.....	1	2d Wed. ....	339	1	11			4	347
45	.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Wed....	472	5	31	6	2	10	490
51	.....	Philadelphia ....	D	4th Thur. ....	149	1	3			6	147
52	Harmony .....	" .....	D	1st Mon.....	314	1	23			6	332
59	Washington.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	705	4	37	1		13	732
60	Brownsville.....	Brownsville .....	31	1st Mon.....	145		16	3	1	1	156
61	.....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	1st Mon.....	428	4	22	6	3	6	439
62	.....	Reading .....	7	1st Mon.....	356		18	1		5	368
67	Concordia.....	Philadelphia ....	C	3d Thur.....	413	6	36	2	1	7	445
70	Rural Amity.....	Athens .....	16	† .....	314	2	13	1	2	8	318
71	La Fayette.....	Philadelphia ....	B	4th Wed. ....	238	3	20		3	9	249
72	Philadelphia .....	" .....	A	3d Thur.....	257		10			5	262
75	Phoenix.....	Phoenixville....	40	Sat. F. M. ...	260		10	2		5	263
81	Hiram .....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Wed.....	190	1	11	4	1	3	194
91	Columbia .....	" .....	C	4th Mon.....	199	2	1	2	2	8	190
106	.....	Williamsport....	18	1st Mon.....	438	3	30	3	2	8	458
108	Union .....	Towanda.....	16	3d Wed.....	230	5	13			6	242
114	Solomon's.....	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Fri.....	259	2	16		1	10	266
115	St. John's.....	" .....	E	2d Mon.....	448	2	39	7	4	8	470
121	Union .....	" .....	A	2d Thur.....	157	4	16			4	173
125	Hermann .....	" .....	B	2d Wed.....	300	1	14		1	10	304
126	Rising Star.....	" .....	C	2d Mon.....	262		27		1	8	280
130	Phoenix .....	" .....	D	3d Wed.....	280	1	18			7	292
131	Industry .....	" .....	E	2d Mon.....	227	6	30	2	1	5	255
134	Franklin.....	" .....	A	‡ .....	165	2	7	1	1	3	169
135	Roxborough.....	" .....	F	2d Tues.....	362	2	36			6	394
138	Schuylkill.....	Orwigsburg .....	11	Last Mon....	92		4			3	93
143	George Washington	Chambersburg...	3	2d Fri. ....	224		15		1	2	236
144	Charity .....	Lewisburg .....	18	Tues. F. M....	122		4				126
152	Easton .....	Easton .....	9	1st Thur. ....	258		8		1	10	255
153	Waynesburg .....	Waynesburg ....	29	2d Mon.....	196		2	2			196

\* No. 22 meets evening of Full Moon, except when Moon is full on Sunday; then Monday.

† No. 70 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

‡ No. 134 meets last week day of every month.



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155	Mount Moriah.....	Philadelphia.....	B	4th Tues.....	532	4	41	9	1	6	561
156	Washington.....	Quarryville.....	1	Fri. F. M. ..	97		6		1	1	101
158	Meridian Sun.....	Philadelphia.....	D	1st Tues.....	725	4	55	4	1	17	762
163	Evergreen.....	Monroeton.....	16	Tues. F. M...	175		12	2	1	1	183
164	Washington.....	Washington.....	29	1st Mon.....	197	1	10		3	5	200
186	Eastern Star.....	Philadelphia.....	C	2d Wed.....	237	1	8	2		7	237
187	Integrity.....	".....	D	2d Thur.....	247		5	1	3	6	242
190	Charity.....	Norristown.....	6	1st Mon.....	464	2	31	1	4	4	488
194	La Fayette.....	Selinsgrove.....	46	Fri. F. M....	142		8				150
197	Cumberland Star...	Carlisle.....	3	2d Tues.....	182		10	2		1	189
199	La Fayette.....	Lock Haven.....	33	2d Thur.....	209	1	7		3	1	213
203	Lewistown.....	Lewistown.....	19	* .....	238		16	3		4	247
211	Kensington.....	Philadelphia.....	F	1st Fri.....	527		34	1	1	2	547
216	Pulaski.....	Pottsville.....	11	3d Mon.....	242	1	11	2	1	2	249
218	Honesdale.....	Honesdale.....	14	Thur. F. M...	156	1	5		2	7	153
219	St. John's.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	2d Thur.....	673	3	40	3	2	10	701
220	Portage.....	Hollidaysburg...	20	1st Tues.....	136		3			1	138
221	Franklin.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	3d Thur.....	550	3	10	6		3	554
222	Minersville.....	Minersville.....	11	2d Thur.....	89		4		1		92
223	Allegheny.....	Allegheny.....	32	2d Mon.....	428	1	22	2	1	1	447
224	Danville.....	Danville.....	35	3d Tues.....	147		2	1		2	146
225	Philanthropy.....	Greensburg.....	30	2d Mon.....	179		10			3	186
226	Mount Lebanon...	Lebanon.....	2	† .....	267		18		1	4	280
227	Chandler.....	Reading.....	7	1st Tues.....	493	1	22	6	1	12	497
228	Fayette.....	Uniontown.....	31	2d Mon.....	282		4			4	282
229	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	37	1st Fri.....	254	2	18	2	1	5	266
230	Richmond.....	Philadelphia.....	F	2d Wed.....	341		14	4		10	341
231	Solomon.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	1st Thur.....	189	2	8	3		9	187
232	La Belle Vallée....	Jersey Shore....	18	1st Fri.....	177	6	19	1	1	1	199
233	St. John's.....	Pittston.....	12	‡ .....	209	3	7			5	214
234	Crawford.....	Meadville.....	25	1st Thur.....	148	7	14	1	1	4	163
236	Chester.....	Chester.....	36	1st Thur.....	424	2	29	2		7	446
237	Beallsville.....	Beallsville.....	29	Wed. F. M...	118	2	8		1	2	125
238	Tamaqua.....	Tamaqua.....	11	Fri. F. M....	225		20	4	1	5	235
239	Armstrong.....	Freeport.....	27	3d Mon.....	88		6		1	2	91
240	Warren.....	Montrose.....	15	Wed. F. M...	98		6		2		102
241	North Star.....	Warren.....	23	3d Thur.....	312		16		1	8	319
242	Carbon.....	Mauch Chunk...	45	2d Wed.....	143		1		1	4	139
243	Mahoning.....	New Castle.....	26	4th Tues.....	328	2	15	6	5	3	331
244	Kittanning.....	Kittanning.....	27	1st Tues.....	166		10		2	5	169
245	Doylestown.....	Doylestown.....	8	Fri. F. M....	227		13	2		2	236
246	Shekinah.....	Philadelphia.....	A	3d Mon.....	624	1	25	5	4	16	625
247	Friendship.....	Mansfield.....	17	Mon. F. M...	111		5		3	1	112
248	Temple.....	Tunkhannock...	16	§ .....	184		3		1	6	180
249	Carbondale.....	Carbondale.....	13	1st Wed.....	247		22	6	2	5	256
250	Sharon.....	Sharon.....	26	1st Fri.....	263	2	18		1	6	276
252	Gummert.....	Fayette City....	31	Mon. F. M...	145		7		1	2	149
253	Washington.....	Pittsburgh.....	28	Last Tues....	447		28		2	6	467
254	Stichter.....	Pottstown.....	40	2d Wed.....	295	2	15		1	6	305
255	Shamokin.....	Shamokin.....	46	1st Fri.....	265		21		1	4	281
256	Milton.....	Milton.....	46	1st Mon.....	189		11		4	2	194

\* No. 203 meets second Tuesday and St. John the Evangelist's Day, Dec. 27.

† No. 226 meets third Thursday and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

‡ No. 233 meets Tuesday on or before Full Moon and St. John's Days, June 24 and Dec. 27.

§ No. 248 meets Monday on or before Full Moon and St. John the Evangelist's Day.

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258	Western Crawford	Conneautville	25	1st Mon.	78	1	3		2		80
259	Union	New Brighton	37	1st Tues.	183	1	7		2	1	188
260	St. John's	Carlisle	3	3d Thur.	207		7	1	1	2	210
261	Hiram	Scranton	13	2d Wed.	180		35	2		3	210
262	Orrstown	Orrstown	3	Thur. F. M.	57	1					58
263	Franklin	Laceyville	16	Tues. F. M.	101		3			1	103
264	Columbus	Columbus	23	Thur. F. M.	43		3				46
265	Washington	Bloomsburg	35	3d Mon.	230	1	15	2	5	7	232
266	York	York	42	*	247		17	2		1	261
267	Swatara	Tremont	11	2d Thur.	142		3	1		2	142
268	Bellefonte	Bellefonte	21	Tues. F. M.	210		9		1	2	216
269	Monongahela	Pittsburgh	47	1st Fri.	525	1	43	5	2	7	555
270	Page	Schuylkill Haven	11	2d Fri.	130		5			2	133
271	Keystone	Philadelphia	E	1st Mon.	275	1	12		1	4	283
272	Butler	Butler	27	1st Thur.	297	2	30	3		2	324
273	Cassia	Ardmore	6	1st Thur.	388	2	23	3	1	6	403
274	Hamilton	Philadelphia	B	4th Tues.	347	4	27	4		3	371
275	Loyalhanna	Latrobe	30	1st Mon.	137		9		4	1	141
276	Hobah	Brookville	27	2d Mon.	162		17	3			176
277	Clarion	Clarion	27	1st Mon.	162	1	8			1	170
278	Cambria	Johnstown	41	2d Tues.	338	3	21		1	2	359
281	Mountain	Altoona	20	3d Tues.	288	1	20		2	8	299
282	Juniata	Holidaysburg	20	2d Mon.	143		4		1	3	143
283	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	9	1st Tues.	195	6	13	2		3	209
284	Porter	Catasauqua	10	1st Fri.	176	1	9				186
285	Anthracite	St. Clair	11	3d Wed.	106		1			3	104
286	Columbia	Columbia	1	1st Thur.	201	1	9		2	4	205
287	Milnor	Pittsburgh	28	3d Tues.	793		41	6	5	4	819
288	Jefferson	Allegheny	32	1st Wed.	141		8	1	1	3	144
289	Orient	Philadelphia	E	4th Fri.	295	1	12		3	6	299
290	Eureka	Greenville	26	1st Mon.	213	1	13		2	3	222
291	Union	Scranton	13	1st Fri.	477	4	17	3	2	5	488
292	Frankford	Philadelphia	F	2d Tues.	394		26	2		13	405
294	Ashland	Ashland	11	2d Thur.	176		18		1	3	190
295	Melita	Philadelphia	D	4th Wed.	579	2	38		1	12	606
296	Mitchell	"	F	2d Thur.	372	2	24	3	1	4	390
297	Chartiers	Canonsburg	29	2d Mon.	118	1	5	2	1	1	120
298	Geo. W. Bartram	Media	36	2d Mon.	204	2	8	1	1	3	209
299	Muncy	Muncy	18	1st Thur.	181		8			4	185
300	Mount Moriah	Huntingdon	34	2d Mon.	184		4		1	2	185
301	Waverly	Clark's Summit	13	Tues. F. M.	136	1	13		2	3	145
302	Eureka	Mechanicsburg	3	1st Mon.	185	2	8	2	1	4	188
303	Oil Creek	Titusville	25	1st & 3d Tues.	155	1	5			2	159
304	Western Star	Albion	24	1st & 3d Tues.	101		3			2	102
305	Hawley	Hawley	14	Tues. F. M.	70		6				76
306	Trojan	Troy	16	2d Tues.	139		1		4	1	135
307	Williamson	Womelsdorf	7	1st Thur.	159		9			4	164
308	Fort Washington	Fort Washington	8	3d Sat.	120		6	3		1	122
309	Williamson	Downingtown	5	Fri. F. M.	136		7		2	1	140
310	Warren	Trappe	6	Sat. F. M.	119	1	5			3	122
311	Portland	Portland	9	Thur. F. M.	87		14			1	100

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312	Summit.....	Ebensburg .....	41	2d Tues.....	211	1	17		2	2	225
313	Indiana.....	Indiana.....	39	2d Tues.....	152		7			1	158
314	Clearfield.....	Clearfield.....	21	1st Mon.....	172		6		1	2	175
315	Cumberland Valley	Shippensburg....	3	2d Fri.....	83		1		1	2	81
316	Myrtle.....	Franklin.....	23	1st Mon.....	266		6	16		4	252
317	Ossea.....	Wellsboro.....	17	1st Tues.....	194	2	11		4	3	200
318	McKinley.....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Tues.....	437	1	29	1		6	460
319	Adams.....	New Bloomfield..	19	Wed. F. M....	77					3	74
320	Bedford.....	Bedford.....	34	2d Thur.....	140	1	20	2		2	157
321	Hailman.....	Pittsburgh .....	48	3d Tues.....	390	1	28	6	1	6	406
322	West Chester.....	West Chester....	5	1st Mon.....	243		14		1	11	245
323	Peter Williamson..	Scranton.....	13	1st Tues.....	510	8	28	3	2	3	538
324	Union.....	Mifflintown .....	19	2d Thur.....	134		11			3	142
325	Barger.....	Stroudsburg.....	9	1st Tues.....	212	2	18			5	227
326	Lehigh.....	Trexlerstown.....	10	Tues. F. M....	95	2	6			2	101
327	Hazle.....	Hazleton.....	45	1st Mon.....	270		16		1	4	281
328	Freedom.....	Jackson.....	15	Wed. F. M....	60		1	1	1	2	57
330	Salem.....	Hamblinton .....	14	Mon. F. M....	91		8			2	97
331	Ligonier.....	Ligonier.....	30	Fri. b. F. M..	114	1	1		1	1	114
332	Plymouth.....	Plymouth.....	12	* .....	122		8	2		3	125
333	Barger.....	Allentown .....	10	3d Fri.....	284		10		1	6	287
334	Union.....	Bradford.....	22	2d Thur.....	404	4	8	3	3	9	401
335	Eureka.....	Montoursville ...	18	Fri. b. F. M..	120		4		1		123
336	Good Samaritan ...	Gettysburg.....	4	2d Thur.....	130	1	10	3		4	134
337	Henry M. Phillips.	Monongahela....	43	2d Tues.....	213			3			210
338	Great Bend.....	Great Bend.....	15	2d Tues.....	77	1	6	1	3	3	77
339	Hyde Park.....	Scranton.....	13	1st Mon.....	406		23	1		8	420
340	Thomson.....	Green Tree.....	5	Wed. F. M....	207	1	10			6	212
341	Factoryville.....	Factoryville.....	15	Tues. F. M....	111		14	1	1	2	121
342	Eulalia.....	Coudersport.....	44	† .....	188	1	14		1	2	200
343	Skerrett.....	Cochranville.....	5	Tues. F. M....	153	1	7			2	159
344	Milford.....	Milford.....	14	Wed. F. M....	81		5		1	1	84
345	Schiller.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Mon.....	360	1	18	2	2	5	370
346	King Solomon's ..	Connellsville ...	31	1st Tues.....	239	2	7		2	1	245
347	Lake Erie.....	Girard.....	24	1st Wed.....	122		11	1	1	6	125
348	Patmos.....	Hanover.....	4	2d Tues.....	153		15			2	166
349	Catawissa.....	Catawissa.....	35	Tues. b. F. M.	114		5			2	117
350	Bloss.....	Blossburg.....	17	Sat. F. M....	180	3	12		3	3	189
351	Cowanesque.....	Knoxville.....	17	Wed. F. M....	87		5			3	89
352	Lucius H. Scott....	Chester.....	36	1st Tues.....	304	6	24		2	8	324
353	Oxford.....	Oxford.....	36	Wed. F. M....	187		8	2	1	5	187
354	Sylvania.....	Shickshinny.....	12	Mon. F. M....	100		2		1	1	100
355	Acacia.....	Blairsville.....	39	2d Thur.....	150	1	4			4	151
357	Mahanoy City.....	Mahanoy City....	11	3d Thur.....	120		4			3	121
358	Somerset.....	Somerset.....	41	2d Tues.....	160		11		2	2	167
359	Humboldt.....	Philadelphia ....	C	4th Thur.....	152		13			3	162
360	Canawacta.....	Susquehanna ....	15	1st Fri.....	155	1	4		1		159
361	Big Spring.....	Newville.....	3	2d Thur.....	94		7		1	1	99
362	Tyrian.....	Erie.....	24	1st Fri.....	222	2	14	1	2	4	231
363	Petrolia.....	Oil City.....	23	1st Fri.....	444	6	13	1	3	10	449
364	Susquehanna.....	Millersburg.....	2	1st Fri.....	90		7	1		2	94

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† No. 342 meets second and fourth Wednesdays, except December, which shall be second Wednesday.



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365	Corry .....	Corry .....	24	1st Tues. ....	113	1	8	1		4	117
366	Eureka .....	Union City .....	24	1st Fri. ....	80	5	14			1	98
367	Teutonia .....	Reading .....	7	3d Thur. ....	114		4			2	116
368	Corinthian .....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Tues. ....	210	1	9	1		3	216
369	Williamson .....	" .....	C	3d Thur. ....	178	1	19	2	1	3	192
370	Mifflinburg .....	Mifflinburg .....	18	Mon. F. M. ...	100	1	2		1	1	101
371	Lamberton .....	Thompsontown ..	19	Mon. F. M. ...	37		4			2	39
372	Spartan .....	Spartansburg ....	25	1st Mon. ....	52	2		1			53
373	Tioga .....	Tioga .....	17	3d Thur. ....	92	1	5		1	1	96
374	Davage .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur. ....	362	2	17	4		9	368
375	Alliquippa .....	McKeesport .....	49	1st Tues. ....	370	1	12		2	5	376
376	McVeytown .....	McVeytown .....	19	1st Tues. ....	58		4			1	61
377	Huguenot .....	Kutztown .....	7	Sat. F. M. ...	158	1	12	1		2	168
378	Mount Carmel .....	Mt. Carmel .....	46	2d Thur. ....	125				6		119
379	Elk .....	Ridgway .....	33	2d & 4th Tues.	231		9	3	3	2	232
380	Pennsylvania .....	Philadelphia ....	D	1st Tues. ....	207	1	19	2	5	4	216
381	Newport .....	Newport .....	19	2d Tues. ....	92		6			3	95
382	Emporium .....	Emporium .....	33	2d Tues. ....	135		12	6	2	5	134
383	Goddard .....	Coatesville .....	5	1st Tues. ....	193	1	11	3	1	1	200
384	Richard Vaux ....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Mon. ....	328	1	37	1	1	5	359
385	Oriental .....	" .....	C	1st Thur. ....	648	2	50	2		12	686
386	Apollo .....	" .....	D	3d Wed. ....	380	1	19	2	3	9	386
388	McKean .....	Smethport .....	22	2d & 4th Wed.	118	1	4	1	1	1	120
389	Kedron .....	West Middlesex ..	26	1st Mon. ....	64		3	2	2	1	62
390	McCandless .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Wed. ....	378	1	19	2	1	6	389
391	Moshannon .....	Philipsburg .....	21	2d Thur. ....	184		13	2	1	3	191
392	Perry .....	Erie .....	24	2d Tues. ....	273	5	11	1	4	11	273
393	Vaux .....	Philadelphia ....	C	4th Tues. ....	285	2	46	6	1	3	323
395	Kingston .....	Kingston .....	12	2d Wed. ....	212	1	22			1	234
396	Dallas .....	Easton .....	9	1st Tues. ....	305	1	6	3	1	6	302
397	Ivy .....	Williamsport ....	18	1st Tues. ....	382		20		1	4	397
398	Ashara .....	Marietta .....	1	Mon. F. M. ...	90	2	2			1	93
399	North East .....	North East .....	24	1st Wed. ....	147	1	9		2	2	153
400	Friendship .....	Jenkintown ....	8	2d Tues. ....	287	3	16		2	4	300
401	Watson town .....	Watson town ....	46	Wed. F. M. ...	115	1	5	1	1	2	117
402	Perkins .....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Fri. ....	303	2	21	4		4	318
404	Eureka .....	Northumberland ..	46	3d Mon. ....	83		5			2	86
405	Howell .....	Honey Brook ....	5	Wed. F. M. ...	123	1	4				128
406	Vaux .....	Hamburg .....	7	2d Thur. ....	172		3			4	171
408	.....	Meadville .....	25	1st Mon. ....	117	2	17				136
409	Pine Grove .....	Pine Grove .....	11	1st Mon. ....	75		2	1		1	75
410	W. K. Bray .....	Hatboro .....	8	Wed. F. M. ...	129		10				139
411	Meridian .....	Enon Valley ....	37	Fri. F. M. ...	77		4	1	1	2	77
412	Temple .....	Tidioute .....	23	2d Tues. ....	69	1	3				73
413	Manoquesy .....	Bath .....	9	2d Thur. ....	83		5	1		4	83
414	Elysburg .....	Elysburg .....	46	Thur. F. M. ...	51		5	1		1	54
415	Canton .....	Canton .....	16	Tues. F. M. ...	129	4	5	3	3	1	131
416	Oasis .....	Edinboro .....	24	2d & 4th Tues.	51	1	4	1	1	2	52
417	Christiana .....	Christiana .....	1	Thur. F. M. ...	164		6			2	168
418	Roman .....	Rome .....	16	Sat. F. M. ...	54		4	2		1	55
419	Wm. B. Schnider..	Philadelphia ....	C	2d Tues. ....	526	1	27			13	541

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420	Fritz .....	Conshohocken...	6	3d Tues.....	192		20			5	207
421	Osceola .....	Elkland .....	17	2d Fri.....	71		1	2			70
423	Shrewsbury .....	Shrewsbury .....	4	Tues. F. M....	89		3			3	89
424	Adelphic .....	Jamestown.....	26	1st Tues.....	72	1	11			2	82
425	Waterford.....	Waterford .....	24	Tues. F. M....	94	1	5		1		99
426	Cressona.....	Cressona .....	11	Thur. F. M....	78		2			2	78
427	Newtown.....	Newtown .....	8	Wed. F. M....	119		1			2	118
428	Smithfield.....	East Smithfield..	16	* .....	42		1	2		1	40
429	Harmony .....	Zelienople.....	37	Thur. F. M....	90		8	4		1	93
430	Stuckrath .....	Allegheny .....	32	2d Thur.....	522	2	26		3	10	537
431	Williamson .....	Saltsburg .....	39	1st Tues.....	72		5			1	76
432	.....	Philadelphia ....	D	2d Thur.....	350	2	17	5	2	6	356
433	Lodge of the Craft..	New Castle.....	26	3d Tues.....	321	5	15		4	3	334
434	Lake .....	Sandy Lake.....	26	2d Thur.....	153	1	15	1	2	3	163
435	St. John's.....	Reading.....	7	1st Fri.....	293		2				295
436	Mozart .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Tues.....	374	4	36	10	4	6	394
437	Apollo .....	Apollo.....	39	2d Tues.....	92	1	5	1		1	96
438	Nicholson.....	Nicholson.....	15	Sat. F. M....	105	1	7		2	1	110
439	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	15	1st Mon.....	87		3		4		86
440	Slatington.....	Slatington.....	10	Thur. F. M....	116		10		1	1	124
441	Potter .....	Philadelphia ....	E	3d Fri.....	476	4	36	1	2	6	507
442	Landmark .....	Wilkes-Barre....	12	2d Mon.....	440	2	25	10	3	5	449
443	Mount Pisgah.....	Greencastle.....	3	Tues. F. M....	98		2	1	1	1	97
444	Philo.....	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Tues.....	302		17	3	2	6	308
445	Harford.....	Hop Bottom.....	15	Thurs. F. M....	79	1	8		1		87
446	Mount Pickering...	Upper Uwchlan..	40	Mon. b. F. M..	147		3	1	1		148
447	Claysville.....	Claysville.....	29	Fri. F. M....	83		2		2		83
448	Zeredatha.....	Sharpsburg.....	32	2d Thur.....	295	1	16	3		2	307
449	Ivanhoe .....	Philadelphia ....	A	2d Thur.....	349	6	42	2		5	390
450	Stephen Girard ....	" .....	B	4th Wed.....	300	4	32	2	1	10	323
451	Zeredatha .....	York .....	42	† .....	199		10			4	205
453	Welcome.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Thur.....	258	2	13	2		4	267
454	Richard Vaux.....	Burgettstown....	29	4th Fri.....	120	2	12		1	2	131
455	Keystone.....	Erie .....	24	3d Tues.....	282	1	17	4	1	5	290
456	Covenant .....	Philadelphia ....	C	2d Tues.....	307	2	14	1	4	4	314
457	St. James.....	Beaver.....	37	Thur. F. M....	188	3	15	2	1	5	198
458	Perry.....	Marysville .....	19	1st Tues.....	93		10			1	102
459	Valley.....	Masontown.....	31	Thur. F. M....	140		8	8	1	1	138
460	Oriental.....	Orangeville.....	35	F. M. Tues...	105				42	1	62
461	Monongahela Valley	Coal Center.....	43	3d Mon.....	122		5	3	1	1	122
462	Knapp.....	Berwick .....	45	F. M. Fri....	206	1	9	1		4	211
463	Shepherd.....	Titusville .....	25	1st & 3d Mon.	122	2	2	8	1	1	116
464	Robert Burns.....	Harrisburg.....	2	3d Thur.....	545	3	21		1	9	559
465	Hebron.....	New Oxford.....	4	3d Mon.....	86		11		1	1	95
466	Kingsbury .....	Olyphant .....	13	1st Fri.....	118	1	10			2	127
467	Laurel .....	White Haven....	45	Mon. F. M....	75		2			1	76
468	Wyoming .....	Wyoming.....	12	Last Fri.....	107	1	11			1	118
469	Saucon.....	Coopersburg.....	10	Tues. F. M....	62		5			2	65
470	Palestine .....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Thur.....	267	1	23	1		4	286
471	Le Ray.....	Le Raysville....	16	Sat. F. M....	51		4	1		1	53
472	Mount Hermon....	Uniondale.....	15	Fri. F. M....	59		8				67

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473	Covenant .....	Cambridge Spr'gs	25	2d & 4th Fri..	150					4	146
474	Coalville.....	Ashley.....	12	2d Tues.....	151	1	12	1		3	160
475	Kennett.....	Kennett Square..	36	Thur. F. M...	150		13	2		2	159
476	Lamberton .....	Lancaster .....	1	1st Tues.....	306	1	13			4	316
477	Westfield .....	Westfield .....	17	Sat. F. M....	140		8	1	1	2	144
478	Beaver Valley.....	Beaver Falls.....	37	3d Tues.....	177		15			5	187
479	Union .....	Birdsboro .....	7	Thur. F. M...	128		10			2	136
480	Noble.....	Curwensville....	21	Tues. F. M...	110	4	15			1	128
481	St. Paul's.....	Philadelphia ....	D	1st Thur.....	582	14	37	10	3	15	605
482	Athelstan.....	" .....	E	1st Tues.....	210	2	13	1	1	6	217
483	Fraternal .....	Rouseville.....	23	1st & 3d Wed.	104	1	5			2	108
484	Pittsburgh .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Mon.....	597	2	30	4		4	621
485	Glasgow .....	Smith's Ferry ...	37	Tues. F. M...	83		4			2	85
486	Prince Edwin .....	Middletown .....	2	1st Mon.....	106	1	8			2	113
487	Rob't A. Lamberton	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Tues.....	285		20	1		6	298
490	Logan .....	Altoona.....	20	1st Tues.....	311		21		1	8	323
491	Excelsior.....	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed.....	306	1	25	7	2	6	317
493	Crescent .....	" .....	C	2d Mon.....	299	2	22	2		10	311
494	Tyrone .....	Tyrone .....	20	3d Mon.....	221		12	1		4	228
495	Renovo.....	Renovo .....	33	1st Tues.....	171	2	7	4		3	173
496	Charles M. Howell.	Millersville.....	1	Fri. F. M....	119		4	2		2	119
498	Pine .....	Linesville.....	25	1st Tues.....	61	3	18		1		81
499	Valley.....	Pittston.....	12	1st Thur.....	217		14	9	3	4	215
500	Wm. C. Hamilton.	Philadelphia ....	A	3d Wed.....	586	10	43	4	2	16	617
502	Pollock.....	Tarentum .....	32	1st Thur.....	238	1	16	6	2	1	246
503	Riverside.....	Wrightsville ....	42	3d Mon.....	77		1				78
504	Moscow .....	Moscow.....	13	Fri. F. M....	87	1	6				94
505	Liberty.....	Port Allegany...	22	1st Tues.....	86	1	16		3		100
506	Jerusalem.....	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Thur.....	362	2	29	2	1	3	387
507	New Milford.....	New Milford ....	15	3d Wed.....	40		8				48
508	Dallas .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Fri.....	868	3	80	5	3	7	936
509	Germania .....	" .....	47	2d Fri.....	172		17		1	6	182
510	Braddock's Field..	Braddock .....	38	3d Tues.....	384		12	6		3	387
511	Shenandoah .....	Shenandoah .....	11	Wed. b. F. M.	101					1	100
512	Quakertown.....	Quakertown. ...	8	Thur. F. M...	109		14			1	122
513	Guyasuta.....	Pittsburgh .....	47	3d Tues.....	245	2	12	3	2	5	249
515	Osceola .....	Osceola Mills....	21	2d Mon.....	161		16				177
516	Mahoning .....	Danville .....	35	2d Tues.....	165		2		1	1	165
517	Sharpsville.....	Sharpsville.....	26	1st Thur.....	73		5	2		1	75
518	Westmoreland .....	Greensburg.....	30	3d Tues.....	175		2	2		1	174
519	Gothic .....	Philadelphia ....	F	3d Thur.....	303	2	14		1	8	310
520	Canby .....	St. Petersburg...	27	1st Thur.....	99		3			1	101
521	Parker City.....	Parker's Landing	27	1st Mon.....	91		3			1	93
522	New Bethlehem ...	New Bethlehem..	27	1st Wed.....	180		4			5	179
523	Aurora .....	Jermyn.....	13	3d Tues.....	79		6	1	1	1	82
524	Everett .....	Everett.....	34	Fri. F. M....	158		5			3	160
525	Ionic.....	Allegheny .....	32	1st Mon .....	472		33		2	5	498
526	Stephen Bayard....	Elizabeth .....	43	3d Mon.....	139	2	15	1			155
527	Philates.....	Philadelphia ....	B	2d Fri.....	213	1	9	1	1	2	219
528	Mount Horeb.....	" .....	A	2d Tues.....	274	6	18			5	293
529	St. Alban.....	" .....	D	1st Thur.....	288		12	1		8	291



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530	Bellevue.....	Bellevue .....	32	3d Mon. ....	425		29	3	2	4	445
531	George M. Dallas..	Dallas .....	12	Thur. F. M...	77		5		1	2	79
532	Driftwood.....	Driftwood.....	33	2d Fri.....	99	1	6		1	2	103
533	Wattsburg .....	Wattsburg .....	24	2d Fri.....	43		1			1	43
534	John W. Jenks....	Punxsutawney ..	21	1st Tues.....	173		11		1	1	182
535	Oakland .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	1st Mon.....	184		7	2		1	188
536	John M. Read.....	Reynoldsville....	27	2d Tues.....	95					1	94
537	Old Fort .....	Centre Hall .....	21	Mon. F. M...	78		8			1	85
538	Johnstown .....	Johnstown .....	41	1st Thur.....	258	1	20	1	2	1	275
539	Woodbury .....	Roaring Spring..	20	Thur. F. M...	112	2	14	1	2	1	124
540	Argyle.....	Chicora... ..	27	Wed. F. M...	170	5	2			2	175
541	Nanticoke.....	Nanticoke.....	12	2d Thur.....	191		9	1	1	2	196
542	Waymart .....	Waymart .....	14	Tues. F. M...	44	1	1			1	45
543	Fernwood.....	Philadelphia ....	E	4th Thur.....	416	2	29	1	1	6	439
544	Centennial .....	Carnegie .....	47	1st Mon.....	326		19		6	5	334
545	New London.....	West Grove.....	36	Mon. F. M...	97	1	4			2	100
546	Duquesne .....	Pittsburgh .....	48	2d Thur.....	470	1	19	1	2	2	485
547	Stillwater.....	Sugar Grove.....	23	Fri. F. M...	54		3				57
548	Verona .....	Verona .....	38	1st Tues.....	118		13	2	2	3	124
549	Reading .....	Reading .....	7	4th Thur.....	324		20	2	1	2	339
550	Edenburg .....	Edenburg .....	27	1st Tues.....	46		3				49
551	Casiphia .....	Mount Joy.....	1	Fri. F. M...	79	1	6				86
552	Allegheny Valley..	Emlenton.....	27	2d Tues.....	109		8	2	1		114
553	Spring City .....	Spring City .....	40	Thur. F. M...	151		9	1		2	157
554	Meyersdale.....	Meyersdale.....	41	1st Mon.....	166	1	13			1	179
555	Northern Star .....	Duke Centre ....	22	1st & 3d Tues.	77				3	2	72
556	Lewisville.....	Ulysses .....	44	1st & 3d Wed.	82	2	7		1		90
557	Olive .....	Tionesta .....	23	2d Mon.....	88		1	1	1	1	86
558	Shiloh .....	Lansdale.....	6	2d Tues.....	166	2	20	1		3	184
559	Garfield.....	Du Bois.....	21	1st Thur.....	210		19			1	228
560	Eldred .....	Eldred .....	22	2d & 4th Tues.	61	2	2		2	2	61
561	Greenleaf .....	Allentown .....	10	3d Thur.....	316		23		3	1	335
562	Marion .....	Scottdale.....	30	2d Thur.....	171		6			2	175
563	Hellertown.....	Hellertown.....	9	3d Fri.....	80	1	6	1		1	85
564	Coatesville .....	Coatesville .....	5	2d Thur.....	175	3	19		1		196
565	Bangor .....	Bangor.....	9	2d Wed.....	119		5				124
566	Kane .....	Kane .....	33	1st Wed.....	152	1	10		1	8	154
567	Prosperity.....	Riegelsville ....	8	Fri. F. M...	73		3	1			75
568	La Monte.....	Derry Station....	30	1st Thur.....	88		4			1	91
569	Keystone.....	Parkesburg.....	5	F. M. Fri. ...	101		5			3	103
570	Ashlar .....	Lykens .....	2	Tues. F. M...	131		13				144
571	Wilcox .....	Wilcox .....	33	1st & 3d Tues.	83		10			1	92
572	Cromwell.....	Orbisonia .....	34	Last Tues. ...	83	1	4	4	2	3	79
573	Corinthian.....	Millvale Borough	32	4th Tues.....	156	3	6	5			160
574	Coalport.....	Coalport .....	21	4th Mon.....	117	1	6	4			120
575	Hebron.....	Mercer.....	26	2d Mon.....	118	2	21		2	1	138
576	Crescent .....	Pittsburgh .....	28	2d Tues.....	285		10	1		3	291
577	Leechburg .....	Leechburg .....	27	2d Thur.....	90		7			3	94
578	Prospect .....	Moores .....	36	1st Thur.....	173	2	26			1	200
579	Acacia.....	Taylor.....	13	1st Mon.....	206	2	12		2	4	214
580	Arcana .....	Austin.....	44	2d & 4th Wed.	86	2	5	3	1		89
581	Wayne .....	Wayne .....	6	3d Tues.....	117	1	6	2		1	121

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582	Homestead.....	Homestead .....	38	3d Mon. ....	319	1	26		2	2	342
583	Youghiogheny.....	McKeesport.....	49	3d Tues. ....	362	1	19		1	4	377
584	King Solomon.....	Dunmore.....	13	1st Mon. ....	145		14	1		3	155
585	Royersford .....	Royersford .....	40	2d Fri. ....	112		1			1	112
586	Acacia.....	Waynesboro.....	4	3d Fri. ....	125		7			1	131
587	Manheim .....	Manheim .....	1	Mon. F. M...	121		3	1		1	122
588	Oriental Star .....	Peckville .....	13	2d Tues. ....	120		7			1	126
589	Hyndman.....	Hyndman.....	34	3d Mon. ....	65		2			1	66
590	Orient.....	Wilkinsburg ....	38	1st Tues. ....	463	5	33	9	4	6	482
591	Equity .....	Philadelphia ....	C	2d Wed. ....	252	1	22	4	1	2	268
592	Adelpha.....	Harrison Valley..	44	2d & 4th Tues.	47		1		1	1	46
593	Blyth.....	West Newton ...	30	Mon. F. M...	128		13		1	1	139
594	Pen Argyl .....	Pen Argyl .....	9	1st Thur. ....	80		1		1		80
595	Perkiomen .....	East Greenville..	40	F. M. Tues...	60		3			1	62
596	MacCalla .....	Sellersville .....	8	2d Mon. ....	91		6				97
597	Green Ridge.....	Scranton.....	13	2d Fri. ....	226	3	18		1	1	245
598	Sharon .....	Shingle House...	44	2d & 4th Thur.	98	1			1	1	97
599	Ellwood .....	Ellwood City....	26	3d Wed. ....	103	1	11			1	114
600	Tacony .....	Philadelphia ....	F	3d Tues. ....	222	2	14			3	235
601	Shidle .....	Irwin .....	30	1st Tues. ....	129	1	11			1	140
602	Galeton.....	Galeton.....	44	1st & 3d Tues.	132		16	6	1	1	140
603	Grove City.....	Grove City.....	26	3d Tues. ....	141	3	24	5		3	160
604	Garfield.....	McDonald .....	29	2d Tues. ....	164	1	7		25	1	146
605	E. Coppée Mitchell	Philadelphia ....	B	3d Mon. ....	264	2	23	2		1	286
606	Radiant Star.....	" .....	C	4th Mon. ....	142	2	14		1	1	156
607	Olivet .....	" .....	B	4th Tues. ....	416	4	30	3	4	6	437
608	Joppa .....	Pittsburgh .....	48	1st Tues. ....	216		13			3	226
609	Progress .....	Philadelphia ....	A	4th Wed. ....	293	4	43	2	1	3	334
610	University.....	" .....	E	4th Fri. ....	909	5	57	5	5	10	951
611	Arbutus .....	Freeland.....	45	3d Tues. ....	111		2	1	2	1	109
612	Tyrian .....	Wilmerding.....	49	1st Thur. ....	234	2	13		1	1	247
613	Valley.....	Turtle Creek....	49	2d Tues. ....	168	2	14	1	2	3	178
614	James Cochran ....	Dawson.....	31	2d Tues. ....	71		7	3		1	74
615	Charleroi.....	Charleroi.....	43	2d Thur. ....	199	2	18	1	2	2	214
616	Hiram .....	Altoona.....	20	3d Thur. ....	141		22		1	2	160
617	Kiskiminetas.....	Vandergrift .....	39	1st Tues. ....	127		18		1	1	143
618	Wyalusing.....	Wyalusing.....	16	Fri. F. M....	77		2	5			74
619	Middleburg .....	Middleburg .....	46	* .....	77		9	1			85
620	Norristown.....	Norristown.....	6	3d Mon. ....	258	3	32	2	4	3	284
621	Lehighton .....	Lehighton .....	45	1st Thur. ....	116		6			1	121
622	Whitfield.....	Nazareth.....	9	2d Mon. ....	84		7	1	1		89
623	Sunset.....	Washington.....	29	3d Mon. ....	118		6		5		119
624	Henry W. Williams	Philadelphia ....	F	2d Tues. ....	116	4	11	1		2	128
625	Concord.....	Concordville....	36	Wed. F. M...	106		5	1		1	109
626	Donora .....	Donora.....	43	3d Tues. ....	114	2	11	2	2		123
627	Mount Jewett.....	Mount Jewett ...	22	4th Mon. ....	77		5			2	80
628	J. Simpson Africa .	East Stroudsburg.	9	4th Thur. ....	99	1	12			1	111
629	Harrisburg.....	Harrisburg.....	2	1st Thur. ....	225		12		1	3	233
630	Doric.....	Sewickley.....	32	2d Thur. ....	125	1	4				130
631	Colonial .....	Philadelphia ....	E	1st Fri. ....	69	1	5			2	73
632	Maclay .....	Sunbury.....	46	Fri. a. F. M..	159		16			1	174
633	Acacia.....	Marienville ....	23	1st Wed. ....	48		6				54

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634	Fort Pitt.....	Pittsburgh.....	48	1st Mon.....	228	3	27	2	3	1	252
635	Homewood.....	".....	48	3d Mon.....	209	4	31	2	2		240
636	Michael Arnold....	Philadelphia....	B	3d Mon.....	128	1	31			1	159
637	Chapman.....	Northampton...	9	2d Wed.....	102		7				109
638	Monessen.....	Monessen.....	43	1st Tues.....	125		17		1	1	139
639	George E. Wagner.	Saint Marys.....	33	1st Mon.....	89		4			2	91
640	East Brady.....	East Brady.....	27	1st Thur.....	87	1	8		1	1	94
641	McKeesport.....	McKeesport.....	49	2d Fri.....	211	3	15			1	228
642	New Castle.....	New Castle.....	26	1st Mon.....	159	1	18		4		174
643	Belle Vernon.....	Belle Vernon....	43	1st Mon.....	75		6			2	79
644	Tyrian.....	New Kensington.	30	2d Tues.....	67		12				79
645	Conrad B. Day....	Philadelphia....	E	2d Fri.....	90	1	9	1			99
646	William L. Elkins.	".....	C	1st Thur.....	224		25	2	2	1	244
647	Beta.....	Wilkesburg.....	38	3d Mon.....	238		23		1	1	259
648	H. Stanley Goodwin	South Bethlehem	9	3d Wed.....	128	1	10			2	137
649	Red Lion.....	Red Lion.....	42	Thur. F. M...	83		5				88
650	Geter C. Shidle....	Pittsburgh.....	28	4th Thur.....	134	1	13			1	147
651	Laurel.....	Uniontown.....	31	1st Mon.....	56		9			1	64
652	La Fayette.....	Carnegie.....	47	1st Tues.....	137		14	1		1	149
653	Crafton.....	Crafton.....	47	2d Fri.....	211	6	23		1		248
654	Charles M. Swain..	Philadelphia....	D	1st Fri.....	142	1	18				161
655	Fidelity.....	Wilkes-Barre...	12	1st Tues.....	202		15				217
656	Swissvale.....	Swissvale.....	38	2d Mon.....	88		19		2	1	104
657	Avalon.....	Bellevue.....	32	1st Tues.....	153	3	21		1	1	175
658	Patton.....	Patton.....	41	3d Tues.....	68	1	11				80
659	Thomas R. Patton..	Philadelphia....	A	3d Wed.....	98	2	17			1	116
660	Isaac Hiester.....	Reading.....	7	3d Mon.....	232		6			1	237
661	Mat. H. Henderson	Philadelphia....	D	3d Fri.....	69	2	15	1	1	1	83
662	Parian.....	Beaver Falls....	37	1st Fri.....	79		21		3		97
663	Friendship.....	Fawn Grove.....	42	Wed. F. M...	26		11				37
664	Moosic.....	Moosic.....	13	2d Mon.....	44		5				49
665	Ephrata.....	Ephrata.....	1	2d Tues.....	40	1	23			1	63
666	Brownstone.....	Hummelstown...	2	2d Tues.....	29		8			1	36
667	Benton.....	Benton.....	35	F. M. Wed...		43	8				51
668	Shenango.....	Sharon.....	26	3d Fri.....		42					42
669	Oakdale.....	Oakdale.....	47	3d Mon.....		37					37
670	Cedar.....	Mount Carmel...	46	3d Thurs.....		13					13

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Number of Lodges December 27, 1910.....	481
Lodges constituted during the year 1911.....	4
Number of Lodges December 27, 1911.....	485

Membership of Lodges December 27, 1910.....	96422
Admitted during the year 1911.....	659
Initiated during the year 1911.....	6215

6874

Suspended and expelled during the year 1911....	562
Resigned during the year 1911.....	503
Deceased during the year 1911.....	1466

2531

Increase during the year 1911.....	4343
Membership December 27, 1911.....	100765

NOTE.—These figures have been taken from General Returns before examination, and are subject to correction.



A TABULAR STATEMENT

of the Lodges included in each District, with the name and residence of each District Deputy Grand Master.

District.	DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.	RESIDENCE.	LODGE.		LOCATION OF LODGE.	
			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
A	Thomas D. Finletter, of Lodge No. 528...	Philadelphia.....	Washington .....	59	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			Philadelphia.....	72	"	"
			Union .....	121	"	"
			Franklin .....	134	"	"
			Shekinah .....	246	"	"
			Corinthian .....	368	"	"
			Mozart.....	436	"	"
			Ivanhoe.....	449	"	"
			Welcome .....	453	"	"
			Excelsior .....	491	"	"
			William C. Hamilton	500	"	"
			Mount Horeb.....	528	"	"
			Progress.....	609	"	"
			Thomas R. Patton....	659	"	"
			.....	2	"	"
			.....	3	"	"
B	John M. Walton, of Lodge No. 444 ...	Philadelphia.....	La Fayette.....	71	"	"
			Solomon's .....	114	"	"
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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
C	Samuel A. Boyle, of Lodge No. 126 .....	Philadelphia.....	Hermann.....	125	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			Mount Moriah.....	155	" .....	"
			Hamilton.....	274	" .....	"
			Philo .....	444	" .....	"
			Stephen Girard.....	450	" .....	"
			Philates .....	527	" .....	"
			E. Coppée Mitchell...	605	" .....	"
			Olivet.....	607	" .....	"
			Michael Arnold.....	636	" .....	"
			Concordia .....	67	" .....	"
			Columbia.....	91	" .....	"
			Rising Star.....	126	" .....	"
			Eastern Star.....	186	" .....	"
			Humboldt.....	359	" .....	"
			Williamson.....	369	" .....	"
			Oriental .....	385	" .....	"
			Vaux .....	393	" .....	"
			William B. Schnider..	419	" .....	"
			Covenant.....	456	" .....	"
			Crescent.....	493	" .....	"
			Equity .....	591	" .....	"
			Radiant Star.....	606	" .....	"
			William L. Elkins ...	646	" .....	"
D	Robert R. Bringhurst, of Lodge No. 654.....	Philadelphia.....	Montgomery .....	19	" .....	"
			Harmony .....	52	" .....	"
			Phoenix .....	130	" .....	"
			Meridian Sun .....	158	" .....	"

E	Thomas H. Fenton, of Lodge No. 51 .....	Philadelphia.....	Integrity .....	187	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			Melita .....	295	" .....	"
			Pennsylvania .....	380	" .....	"
			Apollo .....	386	" .....	"
			.....	432	" .....	"
			St. Paul's.....	481	" .....	"
			St. Alban .....	529	" .....	"
			Charles M. Swain ...	654	" .....	"
			Matthias H. Henderson	661	" .....	"
			.....	9	" .....	"
			.....	51	" .....	"
			St. John's.....	115	" .....	"
			Industry .....	131	" .....	"
			Keystone .....	271	" .....	"
			Orient .....	289	" .....	"
			Richard Vaux.....	384	" .....	"
			Perkins .....	402	" .....	"
			Potter.....	441	" .....	"
			Athelstan .....	482	" .....	"
			Robert A. Lamberton	487	" .....	"
			Fernwood .....	543	" .....	"
			Colonial.....	631	" .....	"
			Conrad B. Day .....	645	" .....	"
			Hiram .....	81	" .....	"
			Roxborough .....	135	" .....	"
			Kensington .....	211	" .....	"
			Richmond .....	230	" .....	"
			Frankford .....	292	" .....	"
			Mitchell.....	296	" .....	"
			Palestine .....	470	" .....	"
			Jerusalem .....	506	" .....	"
			Gothic .....	519	" .....	"
			Tacony.....	600	" .....	"
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F	George Hale, of Lodge No. 610 .....	Philadelphia.....	.....			
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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
1	John W. Lansing, of Lodge No. 43 .....	Millersville, Lancaster Co.	University .....	610	Philadelphia .....	Philadelphia.
			Henry W. Williams..	624	" .....	"
			.....	43	Lancaster .....	Lancaster.
			Washington .....	156	Quarryville .....	"
			Columbia .....	286	Columbia.....	"
			Ashara .....	398	Marietta .....	"
			Christiana .....	417	Christiana .....	"
			Lamberton .....	476	Lancaster .....	"
			Charles M. Howell..	496	Millersville .....	"
			Casiphia .....	551	Mount Joy .....	"
			Manheim .....	587	Manheim .....	"
			Ephrata .....	665	Ephrata.....	"
2	George A. Gorgas, of Lodge No. 464 .....	Harrisburg, Dauphin Co.	Perseverance.....	21	Harrisburg .....	Dauphin.
			Susquehanna .....	364	Millersburg .....	"
			Robert Burns .....	464	Harrisburg .....	"
			Prince Edwin.....	486	Middletown .....	"
			Ashlar .....	570	Wiconisco .....	"
			Harrisburg .....	629	Harrisburg .....	"
			Brownstone.....	666	Hummelstown.....	"
			Mount Lebanon.....	226	Lebanon .....	Lebanon.
			Cumberland Star.....	197	Carlisle .....	Cumberland.
			St. John's.....	260	" .....	"
3	Samuel M. Goodyear, of Lodge No. 197 .....	Carlisle, Cumberland Co.	Eureka.....	302	Mechanicsburg .....	"
			Cumberland Valley..	315	Shippensburg .....	"
			Big Spring.....	361	Newville .....	"
			George Washington..	143	Chambersburg.....	Franklin.
			Orrstown.....	262	Orrstown .....	"
			Mount Pisgah.....	443	Green Castle.....	"

4	George H. Shirk, of Lodge No. 348 . . . .	Hanover, York Co. . . . .	Good Samaritan . . . . . Hebron . . . . . Patmos . . . . . Shrewsbury . . . . . Acacia . . . . .	336 465 348 423 586	Gettysburg . . . . . New Oxford . . . . . Hanover . . . . . Shrewsbury . . . . . Waynesboro' . . . . .	Adams " York " Franklin.
5	David H. Weaver, of Lodge No. 564 . . . .	Coatesville, Chester Co. . .	Williamson . . . . . West Chester . . . . . Thomson . . . . . Skerrett . . . . . Goddard . . . . . Howell . . . . . Coatesville . . . . . Keystone . . . . .	309 322 340 343 383 405 564 569	Downingtown . . . . . West Chester . . . . . Green Tree Station . . Cochranville . . . . . Coatesville . . . . . Honeybrook . . . . . Coatesville . . . . . Parkesburg . . . . .	Chester. " " " " " " "
6	Thaddeus S. Adle, of Lodge No. 190 . . . .	Norristown, Montg'y Co.	Charity . . . . . Cassia . . . . . Warren . . . . . Fritz . . . . . Shiloh . . . . . Norristown . . . . . Wayne . . . . .	190 273 310 420 558 620 581	Norristown . . . . . Ardmore . . . . . Trappe . . . . . Conshohocken . . . . . Lansdale . . . . . Norristown . . . . . Wayne . . . . .	Montgomery. " " " " " Delaware.
7	Adam H. Schmehl, of Lodge No. 435 . . . .	Reading, Berks Co. . . . .	Chandler . . . . . Williamson . . . . . Teutonia . . . . . Huguenot . . . . . Vaux . . . . . St. John's . . . . . Union . . . . . Reading . . . . . Isaac Hiester . . . . .	62 227 307 367 377 406 435 479 549 660	Reading . . . . . " Womelsdorf . . . . . Reading . . . . . Kutztown . . . . . Hamburg . . . . . Reading . . . . . Birdsboro' . . . . . Reading . . . . . " Bristol . . . . . Doylestown . . . . .	Berks. " " " " " " " " " Bucks. "
8	James N. Richards, of Lodge No. 25 . . . .	Fallsington, Bucks Co. . .	Bristol . . . . . Doylestown . . . . .	25 245	Bristol . . . . . Doylestown . . . . .	Bucks. "

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			Name.	No.	City or Town.	County.
9	John Frederick Beitel, of Lodge No. 152 . . . .	Nazareth, N'thampt'n Co.	Newtown . . . . .	427	Newtown . . . . .	Bucks.
			Quakertown . . . . .	512	Quakertown . . . . .	"
			Prosperity . . . . .	567	Riegelsville . . . . .	"
			MacCalla . . . . .	596	Sellersville . . . . .	"
			Fort Washington . . . . .	308	Fort Washington . . . . .	Montgomery.
			Friendship . . . . .	400	Jenkintown . . . . .	"
			W. K. Bray . . . . .	410	Hatboro' . . . . .	"
			Easton . . . . .	152	Easton . . . . .	Northampton.
			Bethlehem . . . . .	283	Bethlehem . . . . .	"
			Portland . . . . .	311	Portland . . . . .	"
			Dallas . . . . .	396	Easton . . . . .	"
			Manoquesy . . . . .	413	Bath . . . . .	"
			Hellertown . . . . .	563	Hellertown . . . . .	"
			Bangor . . . . .	565	Bangor . . . . .	"
			Pen Argyl . . . . .	594	Pen Argyl . . . . .	"
			Whitfield . . . . .	622	Nazareth . . . . .	"
			Chapman . . . . .	637	Northampton . . . . .	"
			H. Stanley Goodwin . . . . .	648	South Bethlehem . . . . .	"
			Barger . . . . .	325	Stroudsburg . . . . .	Monroe.
			J. Simpson Africa . . . . .	628	East Stroudsburg . . . . .	"
10	Aaron R. Trumbower, of Lodge No. 469 . . . .	Passer, Bucks Co. . . . .	Porter . . . . .	284	Catasauqua . . . . .	Lehigh.
			Lehigh . . . . .	326	Trexlerstown . . . . .	"
			Barger . . . . .	333	Allentown . . . . .	"
			Slatington . . . . .	440	Slatington . . . . .	"
			Saucon . . . . .	469	Coopersburg . . . . .	"
			Greenleaf . . . . .	561	Allentown . . . . .	"
11	Albert A. Seibert, of Lodge No. 216 . . . .	Pottsville, Schuylkill Co.	Schuylkill . . . . .	138	Orwigsburg . . . . .	Schuylkill.



12	Woodward Leavenworth, of Lodge No. 442 . . . .	Wilkes-Barre, Luz'ne Co.	Pulaski . . . . .	216	Pottsville . . . . .	Schuylkill.
			Minersville . . . . .	222	Minersville . . . . .	"
			Tamaqua . . . . .	238	Tamaqua . . . . .	"
			Swatara . . . . .	267	Tremont . . . . .	"
			Page . . . . .	270	Schuylkill Haven . . . . .	"
			Anthracite . . . . .	285	St. Clair . . . . .	"
			Ashland . . . . .	294	Ashland . . . . .	"
			Mahanoy City . . . . .	357	Mahanoy City . . . . .	"
			Pine Grove . . . . .	409	Pine Grove . . . . .	"
			Cressona . . . . .	426	Cressona . . . . .	"
			Shenandoah . . . . .	511	Shenandoah . . . . .	"
			. . . . .	61	Wilkes-Barre . . . . .	Luzerne.
			St. John's . . . . .	233	Pittston . . . . .	"
			Plymouth . . . . .	332	Plymouth . . . . .	"
			Sylvania . . . . .	354	Shickshinny . . . . .	"
			Kingston . . . . .	395	Kingston . . . . .	"
			Landmark . . . . .	442	Wilkes-Barre . . . . .	"
			Wyoming . . . . .	468	Wyoming . . . . .	"
			Coalville . . . . .	474	Ashley . . . . .	"
			Valley . . . . .	499	Pittston . . . . .	"
13	Thomas F. Wells, of Lodge No. 323 . . . .	Scranton, Lackaw'na Co.	George M. Dallas . . . . .	531	Dallas . . . . .	"
			Nanticoke . . . . .	541	Nanticoke . . . . .	"
			Fidelity . . . . .	655	Wilkes-Barre . . . . .	"
			Carbondale . . . . .	249	Carbondale . . . . .	Lackawanna.
			Hiram . . . . .	261	Scranton . . . . .	"
			Union . . . . .	291	" . . . . .	"
			Waverly . . . . .	301	Clark's Summit . . . . .	"
			Peter Williamson . . . . .	323	Scranton . . . . .	"
			Hyde Park . . . . .	339	" . . . . .	"
			Schiller . . . . .	345	" . . . . .	"
			Kingsbury . . . . .	466	Olyphant . . . . .	"
			Moscow . . . . .	504	Moscow . . . . .	"

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14	William H. Hulsizer, of Lodge No. 218 .....	Honesdale, Wayne Co...	Aurora.....	523	Jermyn.....	Lackawanna.
			Acacia.....	579	Taylor.....	"
			King Solomon.....	584	Dunmore.....	"
			Oriental Star.....	588	Peckville.....	"
			Green Ridge.....	597	Seranton.....	"
			Moosic.....	664	Moosic.....	"
			Honesdale.....	218	Honesdale.....	Wayne.
			Hawley.....	305	Hawley.....	"
			Salem.....	330	Haminton.....	"
			Waymart.....	542	Waymart.....	"
			Milford.....	344	Milford.....	Pike.
			Warren.....	240	Montrose.....	Susquehanna.
			Freedom.....	328	Jackson.....	"
			Great Bend.....	338	Great Bend.....	"
15	Homer E. Spencer, of Lodge No. 360 .....	Susquehanna, Susq'a Co.	Canawacta.....	360	Susquehanna.....	"
			Forest City.....	439	Forest City.....	"
			Harford.....	445	Hop Bottom.....	"
			Mount Hermon.....	472	Uniondale.....	"
			New Milford.....	507	New Milford.....	"
			Factoryville.....	341	Factoryville.....	Wyoming.
			Nicholson.....	438	Nicholson.....	"
			Rural Amity.....	70	Athens.....	Bradford.
			Union.....	108	Towanda.....	"
			Evergreen.....	163	Monroeton.....	"
			Trojan.....	306	Troy.....	"
			Canton.....	415	Canton.....	"
			Roman.....	418	Rome.....	"
16	John W. Coddling, of Lodge No. 108 .....	Towanda, Bradford Co...				

17	Howard F. Marsh, of Lodge No. 317 . . .	Wellsboro, Tioga Co. . . . .	Smithfield . . . . .	428	East Smithfield . . . . .	Bradford.
			Le Ray . . . . .	471	Le Raysville . . . . .	"
			Wyalusing . . . . .	618	Wyalusing . . . . .	"
			Temple . . . . .	248	Tunkhannock . . . . .	Wyoming.
			Franklin . . . . .	263	Laceyville . . . . .	"
			Friendship . . . . .	247	Mansfield . . . . .	Tioga.
			Ossea . . . . .	317	Wellsboro' . . . . .	"
			Bloss . . . . .	350	Blossburg . . . . .	"
			Cowanesque . . . . .	351	Knoxville . . . . .	"
			Tioga . . . . .	373	Tioga . . . . .	"
18	John G. Hess, of Lodge No. 397 . . . . .	Williamsport, Lyco'g Co.	Osceola . . . . .	421	Osceola . . . . .	"
			Westfield . . . . .	477	Westfield . . . . .	"
			La Belle Vallée . . . . .	106	Williamsport . . . . .	Lycoming.
			Muncy . . . . .	232	Jersey Shore . . . . .	"
			Eureka . . . . .	299	Muncy . . . . .	"
			Ivy . . . . .	335	Montoursville . . . . .	"
			Charity . . . . .	397	Williamsport . . . . .	"
			Mifflinburg . . . . .	144	Lewisburg . . . . .	Union.
			Adams . . . . .	370	Mifflinburg . . . . .	"
			Newport . . . . .	319	New Bloomfield . . . . .	Perry.
19	Ezra C. Doty, of Lodge No. 324 . . . . .	Mifflintown, Juniata Co.	Perry . . . . .	381	Newport . . . . .	"
			Lewistown . . . . .	458	Marysville . . . . .	"
			McVeytown . . . . .	203	Lewistown . . . . .	Mifflin.
			Union . . . . .	376	McVeytown . . . . .	"
			Lamberton . . . . .	324	Mifflintown . . . . .	Juniata.
			Portage . . . . .	371	Thompsons town . . . . .	"
			Mountain . . . . .	220	Hollidaysburg . . . . .	Blair.
			Juniata . . . . .	281	Altoona . . . . .	"
			Logan . . . . .	282	Hollidaysburg . . . . .	"
			Tyrone . . . . .	490	Altoona . . . . .	"
20	Henry H. Baish, of Lodge No. 281 . . . . .	Altoona, Blair Co. . . . .	Tyrone . . . . .	494	Tyrone . . . . .	"



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21	Wilson I. Fleming, of Lodge No. 268.....	Bellefonte, Centre Co....	Woodbury .....	539	Roaring Spring.....	Blair.
			Hiram .....	616	Altoona .....	"
			Bellefonte .....	268	Bellefonte.....	Centre.
			Moshannon .....	391	Philipsburg .....	"
			Old Fort .....	537	Center Hall.....	"
			Clearfield.....	314	Clearfield .....	Clearfield.
			Noble.....	480	Curwensville .....	"
			Osceola.....	515	Osceola Mills.....	"
			Garfield .....	559	Du Bois.....	"
			Coalport .....	574	Coalport .....	"
			John W. Jenks.....	534	Punxsutawney .....	Jefferson.
			Union .....	334	Bradford.....	McKean.
			McKean .....	388	Smethport .....	"
			Liberty .....	505	Port Allegany.....	"
22	John P. Melvin, of Lodge No. 334.....	Bradford, McKean Co....	Northern Star.....	555	Duke Center.....	"
			Eldred .....	560	Eldred.....	"
			Mount Jewett .....	627	Mount Jewett .....	"
			North Star.....	241	Warren.....	Warren.
			Columbus .....	264	Columbus.....	"
			Temple .....	412	Tidioute .....	"
			Stillwater .....	547	Sugar Grove .....	"
			Myrtle....	316	Franklin.....	Venango.
			Petrolia.....	363	Oil City.....	"
			Fraternal.....	483	Rouseville .....	"
			Olive.....	557	Tionesta .....	Forest.
			Acacia .....	633	Marienville.....	"
23	William J. Gealy, of Lodge No. 363.....	Oil City, Venango Co....				

24	David A. Sawdey, of Lodge No. 392 .....	Erie, Erie Co.....	Western Star..... Lake Erie..... Tyrian..... Corry..... Eureka..... Perry..... North East..... Oasis..... Waterford..... Keystone..... Wattsburg.....	304 347 362 365 366 392 399 416 425 455 533	Albion..... Girard..... Erie..... Corry..... Union City..... Erie..... North East..... Edinboro'..... Waterford..... Erie..... Wattsburg.....	Erie. " " " " " " " " " " "
25	Adrian W. McCoy, of Lodge No. 234 .....	Meadville, Crawford Co.	Crawford..... Western Crawford.... Oil Creek..... Spartan..... ..... Shepherd..... Covenant..... Pine.....	234 258 303 372 408 463 473 498	Meadville..... Conneautville..... Titusville..... Spartansburg..... Meadville..... Titusville..... Cambridge Springs.. Linesville.....	Crawford. " " " " " " "
26	John S. Wallace, of Lodge No. 433 .....	New Castle, Lawrence Co.	Mahoning..... Lodge of the Craft... Ellwood..... New Castle..... Sharon..... Eureka..... Kedron..... Adelphic..... Lake..... Sharpsville..... Hebron..... Grove City..... Shenango.....	243 433 599 642 250 290 389 424 434 517 575 603 668	New Castle..... " Ellwood City..... New Castle..... Sharon..... Greenville..... West Middlesex.... Jamestown..... Sandy Lake..... Sharpsville..... Mercer..... Grove City..... Sharon.....	Lawrence. " " " Mercer. " " " " " " " "

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27	William B. Meredith, of Lodge No. 244 . . . .	Kittanning, Armstr'g Co.	Butler . . . . .	272	Butler . . . . .	Butler.
			Argyle . . . . .	540	Chicora . . . . .	"
			Armstrong . . . . .	239	Freeport . . . . .	Armstrong.
			Kittanning . . . . .	244	Kittanning . . . . .	"
			Parker City . . . . .	521	Parker's Landing . . . . .	"
			Leechburg . . . . .	577	Leechburg . . . . .	"
			Hobah . . . . .	276	Brookville . . . . .	Jefferson
			John M. Read . . . . .	536	Reynoldsville . . . . .	"
			Clarion . . . . .	277	Clarion . . . . .	Clarion.
			Canby . . . . .	520	St. Petersburg . . . . .	"
			New Bethlehem . . . . .	522	New Bethlehem . . . . .	"
			Edenburgh . . . . .	550	Edenburgh . . . . .	"
			East Brady . . . . .	640	East Brady . . . . .	"
			Allegheny Valley . . . . .	552	Emlenton . . . . .	Venango.
			.....	45	Pittsburgh . . . . .	Allegheny.
			St. John's . . . . .	219	" . . . . .	"
			Franklin . . . . .	221	" . . . . .	"
			Solomon . . . . .	231	" . . . . .	"
			Washington . . . . .	253	" . . . . .	"
28	William M. Hamilton, of Lodge No. 576 . . . .	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Milnor . . . . .	287	" . . . . .	"
			McCandless . . . . .	390	" . . . . .	"
			Pittsburgh . . . . .	484	" . . . . .	"
			Dallas . . . . .	508	" . . . . .	"
			Oakland . . . . .	535	" . . . . .	"
			Crescent . . . . .	576	" . . . . .	"
			Getter C. Shidle . . . . .	650	" . . . . .	"
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29	James W. McDowell, of Lodge No. 164 . . . .	Washington, Wash. Co.	Washington . . . . . Beallsville . . . . . Chartiers . . . . . Claysville . . . . . Richard Vaux . . . . . Garfield . . . . . Sunset . . . . . Waynesburg . . . . .	164 237 297 447 454 604 623 153	Washington . . . . . Beallsville . . . . . Canonsburg . . . . . Claysville . . . . . Burgettstown . . . . . McDonald . . . . . Washington . . . . . Waynesburg . . . . .	Washington. " " " " " " Greene.
30	John S. Sell, of Lodge No. 518 . . . .	Greensburg, Westm'd Co.	Philanthropy . . . . . Loyalhanna . . . . . Ligonier . . . . . Westmoreland . . . . . Marion . . . . . La Monte . . . . . Blyth . . . . . Shidle . . . . . Tyrian . . . . .	225 275 331 518 562 568 593 601 644	Greensburg . . . . . Latrobe . . . . . Ligonier . . . . . Greensburg . . . . . Scottdale . . . . . Derry Station . . . . . West Newton . . . . . Irwin . . . . . New Kensington . . . . .	Westmoreland. " " " " " " " "
31	John D. Carr, of Lodge No. 228 . . . .	Uniontown, Fayette Co.	Brownsville . . . . . Fayette . . . . . Gummert . . . . . King Solomon's . . . . . Valley . . . . . James Cochran . . . . . Laurel . . . . .	60 228 252 346 459 614 651	Brownsville . . . . . Uniontown . . . . . Fayette City . . . . . Connellsville . . . . . Masontown . . . . . Dawson . . . . . Uniontown . . . . .	Fayette. " " " " " "
32	James McLaren, of Lodge No. 223 . . . .	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Allegheny . . . . . Jefferson . . . . . McKinley . . . . . Davage . . . . . Stuckrath . . . . . Zeredatha . . . . .	223 288 318 374 430 448	Allegheny . . . . . " " " " Sharpsburg . . . . .	Allegheny. " " " " "

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33	Kimball D. Batcheler, of Lodge No. 199 ....	Lock Haven, Clinton Co..	Pollock .....	502	Tarentum .....	Allegheny.
			Ionic .....	525	Allegheny .....	"
			Bellevue .....	530	Bellevue .....	"
			Corinthian .....	573	Millvale Borough...	"
			Doric .....	630	Sewickley .....	"
			Avalon .....	657	Bellevue .....	"
			La Fayette .....	199	Lock Haven .....	Clinton.
			Renovo .....	495	Renovo .....	"
			Elk .....	379	Ridgway .....	Elk.
			Wilcox .....	571	Wilcox .....	"
			George E. Wagner...	639	St. Marys .....	"
			Emporium .....	382	Emporium .....	Cameron.
			Driftwood .....	532	Driftwood .....	"
34	Howard C. Frontz, of Lodge No. 300 ....	Huntingdon, Hunt'n Co.	Kane .....	566	Kane .....	McKean.
			Mount Moriah .....	300	Huntingdon .....	Huntingdon.
			Cromwell .....	572	Orbisonia .....	"
			Bedford .....	320	Bedford .....	Bedford.
			Everett .....	524	Everett .....	"
35	William L. Sidler, of Lodge No. 516 ....	Danville, Montour Co....	Hyndman .....	589	Hyndman .....	"
			Danville .....	224	Danville .....	Montour.
			Mahoning .....	516	" .....	"
			Washington .....	265	Bloomsburg .....	Columbia.
			Catawissa .....	349	Catawissa .....	"
			Oriental .....	460	Orangeville .....	"
			Benton .....	667	Benton .....	"
36	John D. Goff, of Lodge No. 236....	Chester, Delaware Co....	Chester .....	236	Chester .....	Delaware.
			George W. Bartram..	298	Media .....	"

37	Frank C. O'Rourke, of Lodge No. 259 . . . .	New Brighton, Beaver Co.	Lucius H. Scott . . . . . Prospect . . . . . Concord . . . . . Oxford . . . . . Kennett . . . . . New London . . . . . Rochester . . . . . Union . . . . . St. James . . . . . Beaver Valley . . . . . Glasgow . . . . . Parian . . . . . Harmony . . . . . Meridian . . . . . Braddock's Field . . . . . Verona . . . . . Homestead . . . . . Orient . . . . . Beta . . . . . Swissvale . . . . . Indiana . . . . . Acacia . . . . . Williamson . . . . . Apollo . . . . . Kiskiminetas . . . . . Stichter . . . . . Royersford . . . . . Perkiomen . . . . . Phoenix . . . . . Mt. Pickering . . . . . Spring City . . . . . Cambria . . . . .	352 578 625 353 475 545 229 259 457 478 485 662 429 411 510 548 582 590 647 656 313 355 431 437 617 254 585 595 75 446 553 278	Chester . . . . . Moore . . . . . Concordville . . . . . Oxford . . . . . Kennett Square . . . . . West Grove . . . . . Rochester . . . . . New Brighton . . . . . Beaver . . . . . Beaver Falls . . . . . Smith's Ferry . . . . . Beaver Falls . . . . . Zelienople . . . . . Enon Valley . . . . . Braddock . . . . . Verona . . . . . Homestead . . . . . Wilkinsburg . . . . . Wilkinsburg . . . . . Swissvale . . . . . Indiana . . . . . Blairsville . . . . . Saltsburg . . . . . Apollo . . . . . Vandergrift . . . . . Pottstown . . . . . Royersford . . . . . East Greenville . . . . . Phoenixville . . . . . Upper Uwchlan . . . . . Spring City . . . . . Johnstown . . . . .	Delaware. " " Chester. " " Beaver. " " " " " Butler. Lawrence. Allegheny. " " " " " " Indiana. " " Armstrong. Westmoreland. Montgomery. " " Chester. " " Cambria.
38	Samuel Hamilton, of Lodge No. 510 . . . .	Braddock, Allegheny Co.				
39	William S. Daugherty, of Lodge No. 313 . . . .	Indiana, Indiana Co. . . . .				
40	William H. Maxwell, of Lodge No. 254 . . . .	Pottstown, Montgo'ry Co.				
41	John G. Broad, of Lodge No. 278 . . . .	South Fork, Cambria Co.				



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42	George Hay Kain, of Lodge No. 266 . . . .	York, York Co. . . . .	Summit . . . . .	312	Ebensburg . . . . .	Cambria.
			Johnstown . . . . .	538	Johnstown . . . . .	"
			Patton . . . . .	658	Patton . . . . .	"
			Somerset . . . . .	358	Somerset . . . . .	Somerset.
			Meyersdale . . . . .	554	Meyersdale . . . . .	"
			York . . . . .	266	York . . . . .	York.
			Zeredatha . . . . .	451	" . . . . .	"
			Riverside . . . . .	503	Wrightsville . . . . .	"
			Red Lion . . . . .	649	Red Lion . . . . .	"
			Friendship . . . . .	663	Fawn Grove . . . . .	"
43	George B. Frantz, of Lodge No. 461 . . . .	Coal Center, W'sh't'n Co.	Henry M. Phillips . .	337	Monongahela . . . . .	Washington.
			Monongahela Valley . .	461	Coal Center . . . . .	"
			Charleroi . . . . .	615	Charleroi . . . . .	"
			Donora . . . . .	626	Donora . . . . .	"
			Stephen Bayard . . . . .	526	Elizabeth . . . . .	Allegheny.
			Monessen . . . . .	638	Monessen . . . . .	Westmoreland.
			Belle Vernon . . . . .	643	Belle Vernon . . . . .	Fayette.
44	Edgar W. Robinson, of Lodge No. 342 . . . .	Coudersport, Potter Co. . .	Eulalia . . . . .	342	Coudersport . . . . .	Potter.
			Lewisville . . . . .	556	Ulysses . . . . .	"
			Arcana . . . . .	580	Austin . . . . .	"
			Adelpha . . . . .	592	Harrison Valley . . . .	"
			Sharon . . . . .	598	Shingle House . . . . .	"
			Galeton . . . . .	602	Galeton . . . . .	"
45	Frederick L. Smith, of Lodge No. 327 . . . .	Hazleton, Luzerne Co. . . .	Hazle . . . . .	327	Hazleton . . . . .	Luzerne.
			Laurel . . . . .	467	White Haven . . . . .	"
			Arbutus . . . . .	611	Freeland . . . . .	"
			Carbon . . . . .	242	Mauch Chunk . . . . .	Carbon.

46	Frederic A. Godcharles, of Lodge No. 256 ....	Milton, Northumb'l'd Co.	Leighton ..... Knapp .....	621 462	Leighton ..... Berwick .....	Carbon. Columbia.
			..... Shamokin ..... Milton ..... Mount Carmel..... Watson town..... Eureka..... Elysburg..... Maclay ..... Cedar ..... La Fayette..... Middleburg.....	22 255 256 378 401 404 414 632 670 194 619	Sunbury ..... Shamokin..... Milton ..... Mount Carmel..... Watson town..... Northumberland..... Elysburg ..... Sunbury ..... Mount Carmel..... Selinsgrove ..... Middleburg .....	Northumberland. " " " " " " " " Snyder. "
47	William D. McIlroy, of Lodge No. 219 ....	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Monongahela..... Germania ..... Guyasuta ..... Centennial ..... La Fayette ..... Crafton..... Oakdale.....	269 509 513 544 652 653 669	Pittsburgh ..... " " Carnegie..... " Crafton ..... Oakdale.....	Allegheny. " " " " " "
48	J. Harvey Harrison, of Lodge No. 321 ....	Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co.	Hailman ..... Duquesne ..... Joppa..... Fort Pitt..... Homewood . . . . .	321 546 608 634 635	Pittsburgh ..... " " " "	Allegheny. " " " "
49	M. Wilson Stewart, of Lodge No. 375 ....	McKeesport, Allegh'y Co.	Alliquippa ..... Youghioghenny..... Tyrian ..... Valley ..... McKeesport.....	375 583 612 613 641	McKeesport..... " Wilmerding..... Turtle Creek..... McKeesport.....	Allegheny. " " " "

Brother William B. Joslyn, of Lodge No. 274, Philadelphia, Instructor of Work.

# GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND

From its Organization on the 25th day of September, A.D. 1786, Grand Lodge of England, having been closed forever), with years

Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1786 <sup>1</sup>	* William Adcock.	* Alexander Rutherford.†	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.
1787 <sup>2</sup>	do.	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.†	* Joseph Dean.
1788 <sup>3</sup>	do.	do.	do.
1789	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	* George Ord.	do.
1790	do.	do.	* Joseph Few.
1791	do.	* Joseph Few.	* Thomas Proctor.
1792	do.	do.	do.
1793	do.	* John Carson.	* Gavin Hamilton.
1794	do.	do.	* John McCree.
1795	* William Ball.	* William Moore Smith.	* Thomas Town.
1796	* William Moore Smith.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.
1797	do.	do.	do.
1798	* Jonathan Bayard Smith.	do.	do.
1799	do.	* Israel Israel.	* James Milnor.
1800	do.	do.	do.
1801	do.	do.	do.
1802	do.	* James Milnor.	* John W. Van Cleve.
1803	* Israel Israel.	* John Armantiere Monges.	* Ebenezer Ferguson.
1804	do.	* James Milnor.	do.
1805	do.	* Frederick Wolbert.	* Robert Pullen.
1806	* James Milnor.	do.	* Robert Lewis.
1807	do.	do.	do.
1808	do.	* Peter Le Barbier Duplessis.	do.
1809	do.	do.	* Richard Tybout.
1810	do.	do.	do.
1811	do.	do.	do.
1812	do.	do.	do.
1813	do.	* Richard Tybout.	* Joseph Burden.
1814	* Richard Tybout.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.
1815	* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.
1816	* Walter Kerr.	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.
1817	do.	do.	do.
1818	* Bayse Newcomb.	* Joseph Barnes.	* Thomas Elliott.
1819	do.	do.	do.
1820	do.	* Thomas Elliott.	* Josiah Randall.
1821	do.	do.	do.
1822	* Josiah Randall.	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.
1823	do.	do.	do.
1824	* John Bannister Gibson.	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera.
1825	* James Harper.	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.
1826	* Thomas Kittera.	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet
1827	do.	do.	do.
1828	do.	do.	do.
1829	* Samuel Badger.	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.
1830	do.	do.	do.
1831	* Michael Nisbet.	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.
1832	do.	do.	do.
1833	* John Steele.	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.
1834	do.	do.	do.
1835	* George M. Dallas.	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.
1836	* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Robert Toland.	* John M. Read.
1837	* John M. Read.	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* William Stephens.
1838	do.	do.	* Joseph R. Chandler.
1839	* Samuel H. Perkins.	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.
1840	do.	do.	do.
1841	* Joseph R. Chandler.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.
1842	do.	do.	do.
1843	* Cornelius Stevenson.	* William Barger.	* James Page.
1844	* William Barger.	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.
1845	do.	do.	do.

\* Deceased.

† Appointed by Grand Master.

<sup>1</sup> Election held September 25.

<sup>2</sup> Election held January 2.

<sup>3</sup> Election held December 17, 1787.



# LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

A.L. 5786 (the Provincial Grand Lodge, under a Warrant from the of service, the Election occurring annually in December preceding.

Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* Joseph Dean.	* Gavin Hamilton.	* Assheton Humphreys.	1786 <sup>1</sup>
* George Ord.	do.	do.	1787 <sup>2</sup>
do.	do.	do.	1788 <sup>3</sup>
* Joseph Few.	do.	do.	1789
* William McIlwaine.	do.	* P. Le Barbier Duplessis.	1790
* Gavin Hamilton.	* Benjamin Mason.	do.	1791
do.	do.	do.	1792
* John McCree.	* Edward Fox.	do.	1793
* Edward Fox.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1794
* John Poor.	* John McElwee.	* Thomas Armstrong.	1795
do.	do.	do.	1796
* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	* George A. Baker.	1797
* David Irving.	do.	do.	1798
* Charles Patton.	do.	do.	1799
* Archibald Alexander.	do.	do.	1800
* John W. Van Cleve.	* Gavin Hamilton.	do.	1801
* Ebenezer Ferguson.	do.	do.	1802
* Robert Pullen.	do.	do.	1803
do.	do.	do.	1804
* Robert Poalk.	* Thomas Armstrong.	do.	1805
do.	do.	do.	1806
do.	do.	do.	1807
do.	* Samuel F. Bradford.	do.	1808
do.	do.	do.	1809
* Joseph Burden.	do.	do.	1810
do.	do.	do.	1811
do.	do.	do.	1812
* Samuel F. Bradford.	* Walter Kerr.	do.	1813
* Walter Kerr.	* Thomas Astley.	do.	1814
* Joseph Barnes.	* Richard Bache.	do.	1815
* Richard Bache.	* Joseph S. Lewis.	do. <sup>4</sup>	1816
* Thomas Elliott.	do.	* George A. Baker, Jr.	1817
* Josiah Randall.	do.	do.	1818
do.	do.	do.	1819
* William McCorkle.	do.	do.	1820
* James Harper.	do.	do.	1821
* Thomas Kittera.	do.	do.	1822
do.	do.	do. <sup>5</sup>	1823
* Samuel Badger.	do.	* Bernard Dahlgren.	1824
* Michael Nisbet.	do. <sup>6</sup>	* Samuel H. Thomas.	1825
* John Steele.	* Robert Toland.	do.	1826
do.	do.	do.	1827
do.	* Solomon Allen.	do.	1828
* George M. Dallas.	* Randal Hutchinson.	do.	1829
do.	do.	do.	1830
* Tristram B. Freeman.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	do.	1831
do.	do.	* John M. Read.	1832
* Robert Toland.	* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	1833
do.	do.	do.	1834
* John M. Read.	* Robinson R. Moore.	* Samuel M. Stewart.	1835
* Samuel H. Perkins.	do.	do.	1836
* Joseph R. Chandler.	do.	do.	1837
* Cornelius Stevenson.	do.	do.	1838
* Francis Cooper.	do.	do.	1839
* William Barger.	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1840
* John W. McGrath.	* Robinson R. Moore.	do.	1841
do.	* John Thomson.	do. <sup>7</sup>	1842
* Peter Fritz.	do.	* William H. Adams.	1843
* William Whitney.	do.	do.	1844
do.	do.	do.	1845

<sup>4</sup> Died after his re-election, in December, 1816; his son, George A. Baker, Jr., appointed.

<sup>5</sup> Died October, 1823. Nathan R. Potts appointed.

<sup>6</sup> Resigned, March 7, 1825. Robert Toland elected, March 21, 1825.

<sup>7</sup> Died in office, May, 1842. William H. Adams appointed, June 6.

Year.	Grand Master.	Deputy Grand Master.	Senior Grand Warden.
1846	* James Page.	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.
1847	do.	do.	do.
1848	* Peter Fritz.	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.
1849	do.	do.	do.
1850	* William Whitney.	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.
1851	do.	do.	do.
1852	* Anthony Bournonville.	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.
1853	do.	do.	do.
1854	* James Hutchinson.	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.
1855	do.	do.	do.
1856	* Peter Williamson.	* John K. Mitchell.	* Henry M. Phillips.
1857	do.	do.	do.
1858	* John K. Mitchell. <sup>2</sup>	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.
1859	* Henry M. Phillips.	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.
1860	do.	do.	do.
1861	* John Thomson.	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.
1862	do.	do.	do.
1863	* David C. Skerrett.	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.
1864	do.	do.	do.
1865	* Lucius H. Scott.	* John L. Goddard.	* Richard Vaux.
1866	do.	do.	do.
1867	* John L. Goddard. <sup>4</sup>	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.
1868	* Richard Vaux.	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.
1869	do.	do.	do.
1870	* Robert A. Lamberton.	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.
1871	do.	do.	do.
1872	* Samuel C. Perkins.	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.
1873	do.	do.	do.
1874	* Alfred R. Potter.	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.
1875	do.	do.	do.
1876	* Robert Clark.	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.
1877	do.	do.	do.
1878	* James Madison Porter.	* Michael Nisbet.	* Samuel B. Dick.
1879	* Michael Nisbet.	* Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.
1880	do.	do.	do.
1881	* Samuel B. Dick.	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.
1882	do.	do.	do.
1883	* Conrad B. Day.	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.
1884	do.	do.	do.
1885	* E. Coppée Mitchell.	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.
1886	do.	do.	do.
1887	* Joseph Eichbaum.	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.
1888	do.	do.	do.
1889	* Clifford P. MacCalla.	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.
1890	do.	do.	do.
1891	* J. Simpson Africa.	* Michael Arnold.	* Matthias H. Henderson.
1892	do.	do.	do.
1893	* Michael Arnold.	* Matthias H. Henderson.	* William J. Kelly.
1894	do.	do.	do.
1895	* Matthias H. Henderson.	* William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.
1896	do.	do.	do.
1897	* William J. Kelly.	* Henry W. Williams.	* George E. Wagner.
1898	do.	do.	do.
1899	* Henry W. Williams. <sup>6</sup>	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.
1900	* George E. Wagner.	Edgar A. Tennis.	* James W. Brown.
1901	do.	do.	do.
1902	Edgar A. Tennis.	* James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.
1903	do.	do.	do.
1904	* James W. Brown.	George W. Kendrick, Jr.	George B. Orlady.
1905	do.	do.	do.
1906	George W. Kendrick, Jr.	George B. Orlady.	George W. Guthrie.
1907	do.	do.	do.
1908	George B. Orlady.	George W. Guthrie.	William L. Gorgas.
1909	do.	do.	do.
1910	George W. Guthrie.	William L. Gorgas.	J. Henry Williams.
1911	do.	do.	do.
1912	William L. Gorgas.	J. Henry Williams.	Louis A. Watres.

\* Deceased.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office, January, 1851. Peter Williamson elected, March 3, 1851.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office, April 8, 1858.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office, February 11, 1866. John Thomson appointed.

<sup>4</sup> Died in office, July 17, 1867.



Junior Grand Warden.	Grand Treasurer.	Grand Secretary.	Year.
* Anthony Bournonville.	* John Thomson.	* William H. Adams.	1846
do.	do.	do.	1847
* James Hutchinson.	do.	do.	1848
do.	do.	do.	1849
* Alexander Diamond.	do.	do.	1850
do. <sup>1</sup>	do.	do.	1851
* John K. Mitchell.	do.	do.	1852
do.	do.	do.	1853
* Henry M. Phillips.	* Thomas E. Baxter.	do.	1854
do.	do.	do.	1855
* John Thomson.	do.	do.	1856
do.	* James Shields.	do.	1857
* David C. Skerrett.	* Peter Williamson.	do.	1858
* Lucius H. Scott.	do.	do.	1859
do.	do.	do.	1860
* John L. Goddard.	do.	do.	1861
do.	do.	do.	1862
* Richard Vaux.	do.	do.	1863
do.	do.	do.	1864
* Robert A. Lamberton.	do.	do.	1865
do.	do.	do. <sup>3</sup>	1866
* Samuel C. Perkins.	do.	* John Thomson.	1867
* Alfred R. Potter.	do.	do.	1868
do.	do.	do.	1869
* Robert Clark.	do.	do.	1870
do.	do.	do.	1871
* James Madison Porter.	* Thomas Brown.	do.	1872
do.	do.	do.	1873
* Michael Nisbet.	* Thomas R. Patton.	do.	1874
do.	do.	do.	1875
* Samuel B. Dick.	do.	do.	1876
do.	do.	do.	1877
* Conrad B. Day.	do.	do.	1878
* E. Coppée Mitchell.	do.	do.	1879
do.	do.	do.	1880
* Joseph Eichbaum	do.	* Michael Nisbet.	1881
do.	do.	do.	1882
* Clifford P. MacCalla.	do.	do.	1883
do.	do.	do.	1884
* J. Simpson Africa.	do.	do.	1885
do.	do.	do.	1886
* Michael Arnold.	do.	do.	1887
do.	do.	do.	1888
* Matthias H. Henderson.	do.	do.	1889
do.	do.	do.	1890
* William J. Kelly.	do.	do.	1891
do.	do.	do.	1892
* Henry W. Williams.	do.	do.	1893
do.	do.	do.	1894
* George E. Wagner.	do.	do.	1895
do.	do.	do. <sup>5</sup>	1896
Edgar A. Tennis.	do.	* William A. Sinn.	1897
do.	do.	do.	1898
* James W. Brown.	do.	do.	1899
George W. Kendrick, Jr.	do.	do.	1900
do.	do.	do.	1901
George B. Orlady.	do.	do.	1902
do.	do.	do.	1903
* Charles M. Swain. <sup>7</sup>	do.	do.	1904
George W. Guthrie.	do.	do.	1905
William L. Gorgas.	do.	do.	1906
do.	do. <sup>8</sup>	do.	1907
J. Henry Williams.	William B. Hackenburg	do.	1908
do.	do.	do.	1909
Louis A. Watres.	do.	do.	1910
do.	do.	do. <sup>9</sup>	1911
James B. Krause.	do.	John A. Perry.	1912

<sup>5</sup> Died in office, May 7, 1896. William A. Sinn appointed, May 15, 1896.

<sup>6</sup> Died in office, January 25, 1899.

<sup>7</sup> Died in office, July 23, 1904.

<sup>8</sup> Died in office, September 13, 1907.

<sup>9</sup> Died in office, October 17, 1911. John A. Perry appointed, October 23, 1911.







*Eng<sup>d</sup> by W. T. Bather, N.Y.*

*James Harper*  
*R.W. Grand Master.*

*1825.*





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**OF THE**  
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**FOR 1911.**



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# REPORT

OF THE

## COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

FOR 1911.

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TO THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA:

THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE,—Brother LEE S. SMITH, of Franklin Lodge, No. 221, Brother WILLIAM N. SEIBERT, of Adams Lodge, No. 319, Brother GEORGE A. HOWE, of Franklin Lodge, No. 221, and Brother SMITH V. WILSON, of Clearfield Lodge, No. 314,—presents its annual report for the year A.D. 1911, A.L. 5911, by its Chairman, Brother JAMES M. LAMBERTON, of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, who has, as usual, prepared the same.

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island have not reached us.



# REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Sixty-seven Proceedings have been received and reviewed, as follows:

ALABAMA .....	1910	NEW BRUNSWICK ....	1910
ALBERTA .....	1911	NEW HAMPSHIRE ....	1911
ARIZONA .....	1911	NEW JERSEY .....	1911
ARKANSAS .....	1910	NEW MEXICO .....	1910
BRITISH COLUMBIA ..	1911	NEW SOUTH WALES ..	1910
CALIFORNIA .....	1910	NEW YORK .....	1911
COLORADO .....	1911	NEW ZEALAND .....	1911
CONNECTICUT .....	1911	NORTH CAROLINA ....	1911
CUBA .....	1911	NORTH DAKOTA .....	1911
DELAWARE ....	1910, 1911	NOVA SCOTIA .....	1910
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.	1910	OHIO .....	1910
ENGLAND .....	1911	OKLAHOMA .....	1911
FLORIDA .....	1911	OREGON .....	1911
GEORGIA .....	1910	PRINCE EDWARD	
IDAHO .....	1910	ISLAND .....	1911
ILLINOIS .....	1911	QUEBEC .....	1911
INDIANA .....	1911	QUEENSLAND .....	1911
IOWA .....	1911	SASKATCHEWAN .....	1911
IRELAND .....	1910	SCOTLAND .....	1911
KANSAS .....	1911	SOUTH AUSTRALIA ....	1911
KENTUCKY ....	1910, 1911	SOUTH CAROLINA ....	1910
LOUISIANA .....	1911	SOUTH DAKOTA .....	1911
MAINE .....	1911	TENNESSEE .....	1911
MANITOBA .....	1911	TEXAS .....	1910
MARYLAND .....	1910	UTAH .....	1911
MASSACHUSETTS .....	1910	VERMONT .....	1911
MICHIGAN .....	1911	VICTORIA .....	1910
MINNESOTA .....	1911	VIRGINIA .....	1911
MISSISSIPPI .....	1911	WASHINGTON .....	1911
MISSOURI .....	1911	WEST VIRGINIA .....	1910
MONTANA .....	1910	WESTERN AUSTRALIA .	1911
NEBRASKA .....	1911	WISCONSIN .....	1911
NEVADA .....	1911	WYOMING .....	1911

## ALABAMA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama and its Masonic Jurisdiction began its Ninetieth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montgomery, on Tuesday afternoon, December 6, A.D. 1910, and closed the following afternoon, four sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother LAWRENCE H. LEE, Grand Master.

The first proceedings, indeed even before the Grand Lodge was opened, was the "unfrocking," so to speak (or whatever may be the proper diplomatic term for stripping a diplomat, as Brother TITCOMB so frequently calls the Grand Representative, of his ambassadorial character), of no less than thirteen Brethren, because of their absenting themselves from three consecutive Annual Communications.

The annual address of the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features are shown in the frontispiece (the Most Worshipful Brother and the writer being two of the officers of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association), is an admirable paper. From his exordium we quote:

"Masonry, though old, is yet young. The vistas of its usefulness still stretch gloriously through the coming years, far into the future beyond our human ken. Its purposes are yet unfilled, and must so remain until the dawning of that good day when all of the people of all the lands with one accord shall proclaim the brotherhood of man, and the Fatherhood of God.

"Masonry has always stood, and if it would serve its purposes, must continue to stand for the highest individual development, and the largest personal liberty of man, in his evolutionary search for individual happiness, and his proper sphere in the eternal scheme of things; it has ever

fostered the spirit and encouraged the growth of constructive individuality in its deepest, broadest and fullest sense; has always sought to give dignity and emphasis to individual intelligence as a natural and essential basis of all human progress; has always advocated the largest individual freedom of thought and action, having due regard for the rights of others."

The Mississippi-New Jersey question having been referred to the Grand Master to take such action as he saw fit, he reported, wisely as we think, in part, as follows:

"I beg to report that I have made the inquiries, ascertained the conditions to be as stated, and decided to take no action to disturb the fraternal relations now existing between the Grand Jurisdictions.

"I had a personal interview with the then Deputy Grand Master, and in that interview learned that the practice of initiating negroes was indulged by one lodge in that Grand Jurisdiction, but that it was being discouraged and, in his judgment, would be discontinued. Before reaching a decision as to what ought to be done I deemed it advisable to make inquiries as to similar conditions in other Grand Jurisdictions. I did this for the reason that it would be unjust and discriminatory to act as to one jurisdiction and not as to others where the conditions were similar.

"I find similar conditions to exist in several of the Grand Jurisdictions, with whom we hold fraternal relations. Such a condition exists in Nova Scotia, in Washington, possibly in the Phillipines, where California has several lodges, certainly in several lodges under the jurisdiction of the Mother Grand Lodge of England. To have begun the severing of fraternal relations on that account would have led to results not at all desirable, in my judgment."



Regarding the proposed Memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason, our Brother writes in part:

“ The plan adopted was the erection of a Memorial Hall to be national in its scope and purposes, this hall to be erected at Alexandria, Va., which is more intimately associated with the life and movements of Washington than any other city on the continent. It is proposed to erect a hall of three stories or more; one floor of which is to be set apart as a memorial hall or Masonic hall of fame in which is to be placed statues, busts or tablets to the memory of the illustrious members of the craft of each Grand Jurisdiction holding membership in the association. Space will also be set apart for biographical sketches of such as are placed within this Hall of Fame, and these will be properly catalogued and scheduled under the name of their Grand Jurisdiction.

“ Another floor is to be set apart for the Masonic relics above mentioned, and these to be so arranged and preserved as to be open for inspection to visitors and at the same time safe-guarded from injury or removal. The other floors to be given over to the Masonic bodies that may meet there, and all to be under the watchful eyes of the officials of Alexandria-Washington Lodge.

“ The association is to be made up of two representatives from each jurisdiction, the Grand Master and one representative to be elected or appointed by the Grand Lodge. These will constitute the active lawmaking body, and will hold their meetings in this hall or temple on each recurring 22nd day of February.

“ The association will not ask any Grand Jurisdiction to contribute from its treasury any funds towards the erection of this temple, nor will dues be charged. It is the purpose of the association to raise the funds by direct appeals to the Masons of the United States, and to ask for contributions from subordinate lodges.

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“The Grand Lodges will, of course, be expected and required to pay the expenses of the erecting of memorials to their distinguished sons, when desiring to place them in this Masonic Hall of Fame.

“The project appeals very strongly to me from many standpoints, and I most earnestly recommend that this Grand Lodge take action looking to connecting itself with the association and to that end that it elect a delegate to the coming meeting, and instruct the delegate to enroll this Grand Jurisdiction as a member of the permanent organization.

“All the Grand Jurisdictions that have met in annual Grand Communications since the temporary organization of the National Association last February have endorsed the movement and become members thereof.”

The following decision will be of interest:

“The song, ‘Nearer, My God, to Thee,’ is not non-sectarian masonically speaking, although non-sectarian so far as all denominations professing Christ is concerned. (Overruling decision Proceedings 1908.)

“I rendered the above decision with some misgiving at the time, and since have had occasion to investigate more thoroughly the symbol of the cross, from a masonic standpoint. I find that in all ages, and among all people, the cross has been a symbolism, and as such symbolism has stood for some one or more of the teachings and symbolisms of our order, and hence, I reached the conclusion that I was wrong in this decision, and I take this method of stating my desire to withdraw it, and to hold that masonically speaking, the song, ‘Nearer, My God, to Thee,’ is non-sectarian, and can, with propriety, be used in all lands by all people, who are eligible to be made Masons.”

His recommendations that Alabama connect itself with the Washington Memorial Association and elect a repre-



sentative in addition to the Grand Master, were approved by the Committee on Grand Master's Address (and by the Grand Lodge), the Committee amending so that the second representative be appointed by the Grand Master and not elected by the Grand Lodge.

In a special report, Brother TITCOMB, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, coincided with the Grand Master as to the Mississippi-New Jersey question.

Substantial progress is being made with the building of the Masonic Home, the cornerstone of which is soon to be laid.

An episode the last afternoon was the suspension of labor when "our sisters" of a chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star were admitted and a "lovely bunch of white chrysanthemums were presented to the Grand Master," which were "gracefully and feelingly received."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother WILLIAM Y. TITCOMB, his twelfth, and is well done, as are the reports of this venerable Brother, who was a child in 1827! Certainly he must slip down to the neighboring Jurisdiction of Florida and partake of its famous spring, for perpetual youth seems to be his.

Our Brother stands up for "that prince of Grand Secretaries Brother Beauchamp"; is strong for having the place where one "has his washing done" regarded as his residence; and is opposed, as are we, to having cornerstones laid on Sunday (which is the same as Brother LEE's "Sabbath").

Under Kansas, he refers to our friend, Past Grand Master INGERSOLL, of Tennessee, whom it was our pleasure to greet again at the Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association at Boston, in August:

"If we may be pardoned for saying so, we would like to see the Grand Lodge of Kansas, and every other Grand Lodge in the United States issue peremptory orders for the



destruction of every copy—printed or written—of the symbolic ritual. Could that be done and all the books be gathered together we would nominate M. . W. . Bro. H. H. Ingersoll of Tennessee, to apply the torch. What a holocaust that would be, and how the vendors and peddlers of Masonic Rituals, would howl because of the unsalableness of their wares.”

We might observe that, if every copy of the symbolic ritual was consumed, there would be no wares, salable or unsalable, to howl over.

Under Nebraska, the devil (the printer's, of course) makes our Brother ejaculate, referring to ciphers, “*Exeunt omnes*,” “They all go out,” when what our Brother doubtless wrote was “*Exeant omnes*,” “May they all go out.”

Our Brother is like Brother JENKS, of Wisconsin, considerably “afeered” of a National Grand Lodge; we think we can speak for one Jurisdiction that “will have none of it.”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well reviewed, our Brother saying at the outset:

“This portly, and splendidly printed, and artistically embellished volume of Proceedings is a veritable treasure house of information.

“The staid, venerable and influential Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania occupies a position unique in respect of its magnificent Temple, its vast amount of charitable means, and its exceptionally fine educational facilities for the use of its beneficiaries.

“We shall not attempt to follow the details of its several Quarterly Communications, nor those of its annual meeting, December, 1909, but plunging *in medias res*, note a few points in Grand Master Orlady's address.

“In the outset of that very excellent document, the Grand Master gives some statistics which unfold the fact

that, in Pennsylvania, the great central purpose of Free Masonry—that of Relief and Brotherly Love, through which the uplifting of the needy, suffering, and destitute, is effected, is conspicuously in evidence.”

Referring to Brother ORLADY’S remark “after deliberating on this proposition for nearly 100 years” and then his taking the step to call a conference of Grand Masters, Brother TITCOMB says:

“ (Wonderful! How old may Bro. Orlady be?) Seriously; we had expressed some apprehension that, from these conferences of Grand Masters there might grow a sentiment favoring the idea of a National Grand Lodge of the United States, but happily the effort, to foster a feeling favorable to the establishment of a General Grand Lodge, has, at this juncture, at least, proved to be an ‘Icarian’ blight—the ‘wax’ has melted, and the ‘aviator’ has fallen plump into the sea.”

Our report is kindly considered and commented upon. We may answer our Brother’s question, and say that a Junior Warden, who, in the absence of the Senior Warden, occupies that Brother’s station, another Brother occupying the Junior Warden’s station, is indeed “*serving* as Junior Warden.”

Brother TITCOMB refers to our departed friend and Brother (whose name he rightly pronounces “Hu-an”), WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN, as “the highest authority on Masonic law and usage”; we certainly had a high regard for that dear Brother, but we may say that we cannot accept England as the final authority in all things Masonic. For instance, that Grand Lodge has changed “free-born” to “free-man” in the requirements for those seeking admission to our Ancient Craft.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Number of Lodges, including nine under dispensation, 526; initiated, 1931; total membership, 23,303 (number of Ministers, 1111), a gain of 984.

Most Worshipful Brother LAWRENCE H. LEE, of Montgomery, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, of Montgomery, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### ALBERTA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Sixth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, at the Town of Banff, on Wednesday, May 31, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, two morning and two afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother J. J. DUNLOP, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a brief account of his stewardship. In spite of illness he has a fine record for visitations, and favors the "introduction of ladies into the festivities." (We would, with all respect, say: "None in ours.") He issued dispensations for eleven new Lodges, and calls attention to the remarkable growth in number (no less than 33 1/3 per cent.), and wisely asks, "Is this a healthy growth?" saying also wisely:

"Brethren, be not deceived by figures; the strength of our fraternity is not in numbers, but in the upright, moral character and integrity of its members. The spirit of materialism, if just plain commercialism, is the curse of Freemasonry to-day. The remedy is more care in the selection of candidates, and having a series of lectures for the instruction of the brethren."

The Grand Master does not like the old regulation that none but Master Masons be buried with Masonic services.



If each Grand Master is to alter things to suit himself, where shall we land?

However, it seems that under the Alberta Constitutions, it is within the province of the Grand Master to grant a Masonic funeral to an Entered Apprentice or a Fellowcraft.

There were no demands for charity during the year, and the Committee on Grievances and Appeals had nothing to do!

The Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence recommended, and their report was adopted, "that the work of reviewing the proceedings of foreign Grand Lodges be entrusted to one individual, leaving correspondence from foreign jurisdictions in the hands of the committee as heretofore."

We may say that, after the death, in 1895, of our Past Grand Master VAUX, who, as Chairman of our Committee on Correspondence, had alone prepared, as had his predecessors, the annual report of the Committee, for several years our report was a composite one; but within an hour after the installation of Mr. Justice HENRY W. WILLIAMS, on St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1898, as Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, he sent for the writer, and said it was his wish that the report on Correspondence thereafter be prepared by one Brother, thereby securing uniformity, regularity and continuity. Owing to Brother WILLIAMS's death, it was not until 1900 that this writer began to prepare the whole review.

No general report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 62; initiated, 512; total membership, 3977, a gain of 994.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS McNABB, of Lethbridge, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE MACDONALD, M.D., of Calgary, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

ARIZONA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Arizona began its Twenty-ninth Annual Communication at the Masonic Hall, in the City of Tucson, on Tuesday, February 14, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, three morning and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK THOMAS, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a brief, business-like paper, recounting his activities. He had not been able to visit the Lodges, a circumstance he greatly deplored.

The Grand Master having brought before the Grand Lodge the matter of the Washington Memorial, it was referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which reported that it was in hearty accord with the proposition, and hoped the movement may be carried out successfully, and the following resolution was adopted:

“That the incoming Grand Master is hereby authorized to appoint a representative for Arizona who shall act during the pleasure of the Grand Master, and whose duty it shall be to report to this Grand Lodge the proceedings of the Memorial Association and the obligations to be assumed by this Grand Lodge in acquiring permanent membership therein, without authority at this present time to bind this Grand Lodge.”

We can say there is no desire to “bind” any Grand Lodge, their good will and favor being desired.

No general report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 20; initiated, 160; total membership, 1912, a gain of 105.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY ALFRED MORGAN, of Willcox, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE, of Tucson, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## ARKANSAS—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Arkansas began its Sixty-eighth Regular Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Little Rock, on Tuesday, November 15, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother A. J. WITT, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a long paper. From his exordium we quote, our good Brother making some large claims:

“In every age, in every clime, since the principles of our fraternity have assumed definite shape in the formation of our brotherhood, the love of brother for brother, the freedom of conscience which actuates and moves us all, owe their existence to the teachings of Masonry. We teach no creed, we adhere to no special religious tenets, we worship no idols; but we adore the Supreme Being, who holds in His keeping the destinies of all, and we believe in a universal brotherhood and the equality of personal rights. We teach lessons of altruism, charity, benevolence, friendship and morality, and are moving quietly and silently, but steadfastly onward, letting the record of our deeds and actions speak for themselves.”

He had a disagreeable duty in investigating the conduct of certain “delegates” at the preceding Annual Communication, and tempered justice with mercy; but, when it came to the duty in attending a regular Lodge meeting on Christmas Eve, and dispensations were asked to elect officers at a date preceding the regular communication falling on Christmas Eve, he declined, assigning as his reason that “Masons should not permit the festivities of Christmas to interfere with their Masonic duties”!



How about family duties?

He spoke warmly of the new Masonic Home which has begun its good work very successfully; it is to be called the Masonic Orphans' Home and School.

He does not give the Washington Memorial project his personal endorsement, because that Brother "rendered no distinguished Masonic service," and it might set a bad precedent. His Grand Lodge agreed, and for the present, at least, the other Grand Lodges will have to go ahead without our Arkansas Brethren's assistance.

Grand Secretary HEMPSTEAD reported the preparation of a new Digest, and the Grand Lodge provided compensation rightly.

In his report as Librarian, Brother HEMPSTEAD acknowledged the following among donations:

"From Brother Julius Sachse, Grand Librarian Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, handsome copy of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, volume 2."

The address of the Grand Orator, Brother SAMUEL M. CASEY, was delivered the first evening, the Grand Lodge being called from labor, so that the members of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star might hear him.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submitted a report, aside from the "Review," recommending that the "Grand Lodge of El Salvador" be further investigated, and that the "Grand Orient of the Ottoman Empire" be recognized, and the report was adopted.

A Brother presented a resolution "to discipline members for excessive use of morphine, cocaine or other deleterious drugs." This was referred to the Committee on Masonic Law and Usage; and when we turned to the index to discover what that Committee had to say, we discovered that, by some mischance, that portion of the index had no page numbers! We cannot find any report on this resolution.

During the second evening, for a time the Grand Lodge was at refreshment, the record stating:

“The Grand Lodge being duly at labor, it was announced that Miss Maud Williams, to whom a scholarship in Gallo-way College had formerly been donated by this Grand Lodge, desired to express personally her thanks to the Grand Lodge for the same, and was in waiting for that purpose, if allowed.”

The young lady, now an accomplished singer, expressed her gratitude to the Grand Lodge for the assistance that they had given her in her girlhood through the scholarship; and, later, by request, sang two selections, which were received with prolonged applause.

“The Review of Proceedings of Grand Lodges” is by the Chairman of the Committee, Brother GEORGE T. BLACK, Pennsylvania not being among the Jurisdictions reviewed.

We are impressed with our Brother’s excellent summarizing. In the report accompanying the Review, it was stated that

“We deem it more the duty of a committee of this character to properly and correctly reflect the important happenings in different jurisdictions than of expressing individual opinions of the same, leaving that matter for him who desires to give his time and attention to the writing of Masonic history.”

As a consequence, our Brother comments rarely. We agree with him in the following, referring to a Jurisdiction which need not be named:

“An innovation, the kind of which we have not heretofore noticed in any Grand Jurisdiction, transpired just before the convening of the Grand Lodge. This was a procession of the different Masonic bodies in the city of —,



headed by a military band escorting the Grand Master from his hotel to the Grand Lodge room. This was considerable show, fuss and feathers, the like of which is unprecedented in Masonic history and for which Masonic usages do not stand. Masonry was not made for show, but for all the good and charitable deeds it can do in this transitory world. The widow and orphan, the poor and the distressed call for our aid, our help and succor in time of need, and the brushing away of a sorrowful tear from the cheek of some poor lonely widow of a worthy Master Mason counts for more good than all the gaudy show and parade before the public that can be brought to bear."

Our Brother can well take care of himself in controversy, saying, with a quiet dignity which we like (it is not necessary to give the Jurisdiction):

"He takes considerable pains to rap our Grand Lodge for its action with reference to the two Scottish Rite jurisdictions. With a great deal of sarcasm, mixed with some flow of bitterness, he hits us quite severely. We take it quite good naturedly, however, my dear brother. We have never conceived the idea that it was the province of a Foreign Correspondent in the matter of 'review' of sister jurisdictions to criticise, much less to hold one up to ridicule. Doubtless the brother's brain was much perturbed at that 'psychological' moment."

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master fittingly forms the frontispiece.

Number of Lodges, including 12 new ones, 552; only 445 were represented at the Regular Communication; initiated, 1394; total membership, 19,934, whether a gain or loss, not stated.

Most Worshipful Brother F. G. LINDSEY, of Bentonville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FAY HEMPSTEAD, of Little Rock, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## BRITISH COLUMBIA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of British Columbia began its Fortieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Victoria, on Thursday morning, June 22, A.D. 1911, and closed the following evening, five sessions being held.

On the second afternoon, the Brethren went in carriages to Oak Bay, where the Grand Master, assisted by his Officers, laid the cornerstone of St. Mary's Church.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD B. PAUL, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait, with that of Past Grand Master McMICKING, is given, is an excellent paper; we quote from his peroration:

"I am convinced that the world will, as time goes on, more and more feel the influence of Freemasonry, if Masons will continue to be true to themselves, and faithful to the great trust reposed in them. Let us ever remember that, like our operative Brethren, we must work. The working tools were not placed in our hands to be merely looked at and then put aside to rust in idleness. They are for daily and hourly use. Let us not forget their sublime symbolism, by which we are taught that we must so divide our time that we may give due attention to our duties to God, our neighbor and ourselves; that renunciation must precede all spiritual progress; that our lives should be upright, honest, moral; that pride and arrogance should give way to humility and respect; and above all that we should be bound to each other by Brotherly Love, which is the cement of our spiritual building, and without which that building could not endure. Love is the essence of Freemasonry. The Truth for which we are always searching may be within our reach if we will only give our hearts to the quest, for

'The truth of truths is Love.'"

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He paid a tribute to Grand Secretary BRETT, who, after having served since 1902, had felt compelled by the pressure of private business to ask to be relieved of his duties.

We were pleased to see that our Brother WILLIAM ANDREW DEWOLF SMITH, the Grand Historian and Librarian, and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, had been elected to this very important station, which he is so well qualified to fill. The Grand Lodge ordered that the historical address, interesting and informing, which he delivered at Victoria, December 14, 1909, on the occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of Freemasonry into the Province, be given in the Proceedings, so that our good Brother is quite prominent in this year's Proceedings. In his Librarian's report, he notes the addition of "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania."

The Grand Chaplain, Very Worshipful Brother the Reverend H. G. FIENNES-CLINTON, delivered an eloquent address at the closing session, on the text, "Solomon Built Him an House."

In his report on Correspondence, Brother DEWOLF SMITH makes up for the shortness of his last report, and gives a report full of matters of interest, commenting from time to time.

He agrees with us in our understanding of the requirement of the Old Charges, that an applicant be "descended of honest parents," and, under Canada, asks:

"Does Brother Robertson believe that the word 'honest,' as used in the Charge, means simply that the candidate's parents must have a correct appreciation of the difference between *meum* and *tuum*?"

Light is thrown upon our Brother's position as to uniformity of work, by the following, under the District of Columbia:



"We are not of those who believe that uniformity of work is necessary, or even desirable, and it will probably never obtain in this Jurisdiction, as the Lodges forming the Grand Lodge were guaranteed the use of their respective rituals."

Under Massachusetts, our Brother says:

"At a Quarterly held on the 8th of September, 1909, M. W. Brother Sereno D. Nickerson read a paper again traversing the claim of Pennsylvania that Masonry was introduced into Pennsylvania before it was in Massachusetts. The last evidence offered by Pennsylvania in support of its contention is a document known as the Carmack, MS., to which, however, Brother Nickerson attached no weight whatever. It would seem that Brother Nickerson was in the position of the person who was quite open to conviction, but would like to see the man who could convince him."

Under New Mexico, after quoting the views of Brother WROTH upon the Scottish Rite, our Brother continues:

"And there you are. This is all very interesting, but not conclusive. *Probably* the originators of the Rite were Masons. *Possibly* they worked the Rite where no other system existed. But *were* they Masons, and *did* they promulgate the Rite in countries where no other Rite existed? If they were Masons, and worked the Rite in open territory, who gave them the right to change the fundamental principles of the system under which they were made and from which they drew whatever authority they may have had? As it happens, however, the Rite was *not* promulgated in countries where no other Rite existed. It was organized in South Carolina, where Craft Masonry had been established for several years, and was transplanted to France where, too, Masonry of a kind was already in existence."



Under New South Wales, Brother DEWOLF SMITH writes:

“Reference is made to our fear that the New South Wales Board of General Purposes had not investigated the matter very closely when it recommended recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. The reviewer states that they did their best to ascertain the real facts, and that if they fell into error it is an error shared by other Grand Lodges nearer the seat of trouble. A very slight examination of the literature issued by this alleged Grand Lodge would have shown the Board that it (the Valle de Mexico) was very far from having ‘sovereign jurisdiction’ in Mexico, and it would not take much investigation to show its clandestine origin and unmasonic practices. That some Grand Lodges have recognized it is not, in the majority of cases, from any conviction of its worthiness, but from motives of expediency.”

Speaking of “sovereign jurisdiction,” which our Brother quotes, we are reminded of a discovery, and not an agreeable one at that, which we made recently. On September 5, 1906, after a report had been received from the Grand Registrar, which is printed in full in the London “*Freemason*” of September 1, 1906, recommending the recognition by the Grand Lodge of England of the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Valle de Mexico, the Grand Lodge voted recognition to them. (The Grand Lodge of Scotland accorded recognition to these two Grand Lodges in the following November.) In this report occurs the following passage, the italics being ours:

“The previous difficulties having been removed, His Royal Highness has been pleased to assent to the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico *as having sole and sovereign jurisdiction within the South-American (sic) country of Mexico*, and recommends the United Grand Lodge of England to accord such recognition.”

In the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for 1907, at the Annual Meeting the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence all note the recognition accorded to them by England, and at pages 137-139, in the section headed "Universal Masonry," there is given what purports to be and is, with several trifling errors and the exception we note, *a complete account of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of England on September 5, 1906, relating to recognition.* The exception, we regret to state, is the absolute omission of the words we have given above in italics, *there being nothing whatever to suggest any omission.*

The reason for this strange omission may be found in the fact that these same 1907 Proceedings show that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico recognized the Grand Lodge of Coahuila, it "holding sovereign and independent jurisdiction in the State of Coahuila," which we may remark is within the North-American country of Mexico.

The 1910 Proceedings show that the Grand Lodge "had confirmed its relations" with the Grand Lodge of Vera Cruz, "and exchanged Representatives," Vera Cruz being one of the States of Mexico.

The 1911 Proceedings (which also record the change in name from "Muy Respectable Gran Logia Valle de México, A. L. y A. M." to "M. W. York Grand Lodge of Mexico, F. & A. M.") show that recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodges of Coahuila, of Vera Cruz, and of Oaxaca, Oaxaca being also one of the States of "the North-American country of Mexico," within which the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized by the Grand Lodge of England "as having sole and sovereign Masonic jurisdiction," and also shows that the Grand Lodge permitted one of its Lodges, "working in German under the San Juan Ritual [which] considered it had the right to separate from both factions (*i.e.*, Scottish Ritual Lodges and York Ritual Lodges)," to withdraw from its jurisdiction, and apply to the Grand



Lodge of Hamburg, which is by no means a "Scottish Rite Grand Lodge," and receive from it a charter, and, says the Acting Grand Secretary, it "is now working thereunder"!

Many of the Brethren will remember that a Lodge under a warrant from the same Grand Lodge of Hamburg was for years a sore trouble in the Jurisdiction of New York, now happily ended.

Under South Dakota, after quoting from a report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which agrees that the Scottish Rite has no authority to confer the Masonic degrees, he continues:

"What we cannot understand is: If the Scottish Rite has no authority to confer the Masonic degrees (and the Committee admits it) how can those who receive the degrees in that Rite be recognized as 'Brother Masons'? They may be 'good men and true'; they may be 'Masons at heart,' but they are NOT Masons in fact. If to pass through a ceremony more or less resembling the Masonic degrees makes a man a Mason, members of the Orange Order have as good a claim on our fraternal regard as those of the Scottish Rite. We fear that the Committee has been carried away by its sympathy, and somewhat 'dazzled' by the 'ideal of Masonry Universal.'"

Pennsylvania for 1909 receives full review. Nearly four pages are given up to quoting two reports on our Committee on Appeals, presented at the June Quarterly. Grand Master ORLADY's address is summarized, and a number of his decisions quoted, our Brother saying:

"While some of them reflect the peculiarities of Pennsylvania law, they are generally characterized by sound commonsense, and a strict adherence to the old customs of the Fraternity."



## CALIFORNIA.

Our report ("an admirable paper") is noted, and our Brother is "especially pleased that he [we] agrees with us [him] on the subjects of Mexican Masonry and the right of the Ancient and Accepted Rite to establish Craft Lodges."

Referring to our remark as to our Museum, Brother DEWOLF SMITH adds:

"Our remark that 'A Masonic museum has been started which already contains several interesting Masonic relics,' caused our Brother some amusement, and we are gratified to have contributed something towards the gaiety of the nations. As we have never had the privilege of inspecting their, no doubt, very excellent museum, but based our remarks upon a statement in their Proceedings, we may be pardoned for having underestimated its value. However, we are quite willing to accept Brother Lamberton's assurance that their Library and Museum 'are not equalled, much less excelled, by those of any other Grand Lodge in this country.'"

We should be very glad to show our Museum to our Brother.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 56; initiated, 486; total membership, 5017, a gain of 468.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANCIS J. BURD, of Vancouver, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. DEWOLF SMITH, of New Westminster, Grand Secretary.

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## CALIFORNIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California began its Sixty-first Annual Communication at Golden Gate Hall, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, October 14, A.D. 1910, and closed three days later, morning and afternoon sessions being held.

Owing to the death of Most Worshipful Brother W. FRANK PIERCE shortly before the Annual Communication, Brother DANA R. WELLER, the Deputy Grand Master, became, not simply Acting Grand Master, but, it appears, Grand Master, and he read the former Brother's annual address, his last official act. We had the pleasure of meeting Brother PIERCE at the Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters, and learned of his death with regret. In his address, Brother PIERCE reported the generous gift to the Masonic Home at Decoto of a hospital, by the Grand Treasurer, Very Worshipful Brother EDWARD COLEMAN, built at a cost of over \$40,000. Subsequently the Grand Lodge took proper action to show its appreciation of and thanks for this munificent gift.

Brother PIERCE mentioned that the office of the Grand Secretary had been removed to more commodious quarters, but did not mention that he himself had paid the expenses of having the rooms suitably furnished.

Grand Secretary WICHER, in his report, says:

"There has been deposited with the Grand Secretary a diploma issued to Leison Simmons by the Grand Lodge of France, under date of November, 1765, certifying that Brother Simmons was then a member of Lodge No. 2 of the Province of Pennsylvania. It was deposited by Brother Lewis G. Simmons of Hartley Lodge, No. 199, the only surviving member of the family."

Later the thanks of the Grand Lodge were given to Brother SIMMONS.

In "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907," we learn that on October 9, 1764, "Bro. Davidson proposed to Lodge. Capt Symonds as a Candidate;" on October 23, 1764, "Capt Symonds was advanced to the first step of an enter'd Apprentice. Had the Benefit of a Lecture;"



on September 24, 1765, "Bro Symond having duly served as Enter'd Appren<sup>ce</sup> and gave proper satisfaction in the same receiv'd the degree of a Fellow Craft & had the Benefit of a Fellow Crafts lecture from the Chair.;" and on October 25, 1765, among the members present was "Leison Simmons," and "Also Bro. Simmonds rec<sup>d</sup> degree of a Master Mason."

Brother SIMMONS appears to have been present at an "Extra Lodge" on August 16, 1779, on August 14, and on December 27, 1782.

The report of the Trustees of the Masonic Homes of California tells of the flourishing condition of the homes at Decoto and San Gabriel; at the former there are 60 men and 32 women, and at the latter 25 boys and one man, and 20 girls and one woman.

A new Temple is to be built in San Francisco at a cost of \$700,000 upon a property costing \$275,000.

The Committee on Jurisprudence (and the Grand Lodge) approved the view of Grand Master PIERCE that the cornerstones of only such buildings as are either strictly Masonic in their character, or erected for exclusively public purposes, should be laid with Masonic ceremonies.

The Grand Orator, Brother CHARLES A. ADAMS, took for his theme "Masonry in Business and Politics." The address was, as the record states, "somewhat out of the beaten path of such efforts," and was much appreciated, and 10,000 copies were ordered printed for distribution.

We quote:

"It is our proud boast that Masonry sets a higher standard of morals and virtue than the mere law of the land imposes; and no Mason who fails to practice as a man, in his business dealings, that which he professes as a Mason, should be permitted to interpose, in extenuation, the specious plea that 'Masonry is one thing and Business another.'

"The spirit of Masonry should incite us to greater fidel-



ity in the discharge of every duty; and when a Mason deals with another in any other manner than that in which he himself would be dealt by, even though he be not guilty of actual fraud in the eyes of the law, even though he be not guilty of an offense involving moral turpitude, he violates the *spirit* at least, if not the *letter* of his obligation. He not only renders himself unworthy to be taken by the hand as a brother, but he forfeits the right to be known as a Mason.

“I care not how far, nor with what speed he may have progressed in the Fraternity. He may be so well provided with the world’s goods that he may have been able to pay for degrees enough to make him what the ignorant term ‘A high Mason;’ he may be privileged to wear on his fob the Cross of Malta, or the Double Eagle, and in the lapel of his coat, the scimitar and claws; he may be a Thrice Illustrious Prince, a Sovereign Master or an Imperial Potentate,—but if he be a Grocer, and sell sand for sugar, he is not a Mason;—if he be a Tailor, and for wool, sell shoddy, he is not a Mason;—if he be a Lawyer and instigate and encourage litigation, or otherwise attempt to obtain a benefit for himself at the expense of his client, or by improper methods, a benefit for his client to which, under the law, he is not entitled, he is not a Mason;—if he be an employer of labor and take an unfair advantage of the poverty and distress of those who must hire to him, he is not a Mason;—if he be an employee and fail in the duty expressed in the quaint language of the ancient charges, ‘truly to see and work for the advantage’ of him by whom he is employed, he is not a Mason.

“Whatever may be his trade, occupation or profession, if he does not in his business transactions, deal fairly, honestly and justly with all men, he is as much an impostor as though he had never been received into a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. He is not only false to himself, and faithless to his vows, but he brings upon the Craft shame and reproach.”

On Thursday afternoon a solemn and impressive memorial service was held in honor of the late Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother WILLIAM FRANK PIERCE, whose portrait is given as the frontispiece of the Proceedings.

The Special Committee on the Status of Masonry in the Philippine Islands presented a long and very interesting report, from which we quote:

“It will be noticed that a claim has been made that a Lodge called St. Julie was founded in Madrid at the end of the Eighteenth century. Where this lodge received its charter is not stated, but the main and only claim for origin is based on the authority of one Count de Grasse-Tilly.

“A Grand Lodge could not have been formed from this one Lodge, admitting it was a regularly chartered Lodge from a proper Masonic power, for the reason that all Masonic Jurists agree that it takes three regularly chartered Lodges to form a Grand Lodge; hence this Grand Orient of Spain must rest upon the foundation laid by de Grasse-Tilly.

“The next question is,—Where did de Grasse-Tilly get his authority to constitute Symbolic Lodges of F. & A. M.? We find that he received his authority, if he ever had any, by virtue of his patent as a Deputy Inspector General from the Supreme Council, A. & A. S. R. at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1802.

“WHERE DID THE SUPREME COUNCIL GET THE AUTHORITY TO CHARTER SYMBOLIC LODGES?

“We must bear in mind that the organization of the Grand Lodge of England, the first in the world, occurred in 1717; hence, in order to have a clear title to a regularly constituted Grand Lodge it must trace its title back to this Grand Lodge. Measured by this standard, all Grand Lodges must stand or fall.



“Does the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States trace its origin to the Grand Lodge of England?”

“In 1759 the Council of Emperors of the East and West was organized in Paris; its members styled themselves Sovereign Prince Masons, etc. This body constituted Lodges of Sublime Freemasonry, chapters and colleges. The first three degrees—Symbolic—were conferred in Symbolic Lodges.

“In 1761 this Council granted a patent to one Stephen Morin, deputising him as a Grand Inspector of the body, with authority to establish ‘Perfect and Sublime Masonry’ in all parts of the world.

“Morin gave the degree of Grand Inspector General to one Andrew Fraucken sometime prior to 1767 at Jamaica. Fraucken subsequently communicated it to one Moses M. Hayes at Boston. Hayes to Barend M. Spitzer at Charleston, S. C., and Spitzer to John Mitchell on the 2nd day of April, 1795, and on the 31st of May, 1801, John Mitchell and one Frederick Dalcho organized the Supreme Council of the 33rd degree for the United States of America at Charleston, South Carolina, and on February 21, 1802, this Supreme Council granted one Count Alexander Francois Auguste de Grasse-Tilley a patent certifying that he possessed the degrees from Secret Master (4th) to Sovereign Grand Inspector General, inclusive, etc., over two hemispheres.

“It must now be noted that Tilley had no power or authority from the 1st to 3rd degree inclusive, but only from the degree of Secret Master. Tilley went to France and on September 22, 1804, with others, organized and established the Supreme Council of the 33rd degree for France at Paris, and on July 4, 1811, the Count de Grasse-Tilley founded a Supreme Council of the A. and A. S. R. 33rd degree for Spain at Madrid. 4 Gould 120.

“Previous to this time there had been several Lodges



organized under the Grand Lodge of England, but all had surrendered their charters or ceased to exist by reason of non-activity long before 1811.

“There is no contention on the part of the Grand Orient of Spain or the Spanish Grand Orient that they were not founded by, or that their history starts prior to, de Grasse-Tilly in July, 1811. This being admitted by all parties and from the historical fact that Tilly only possessed the right to confer from the 4th to the 33rd degree we fail to find how or where these so-called Grand Orient secured the legitimate right to confer the Symbolic degrees from Tilly even if Tilly’s power was regular.

“The Supreme Council could not give any man the power to confer any degrees of Symbolic Masonry for the reason that Mitchell and Dalcho had no authority to confer that privilege on the Supreme Council; there is no claim that the Supreme Council has this power and it does not now and never has claimed this right when the Supreme Council could not at any time from its inception legally confer any of the Symbolic Degrees of Masonry, then where can the Grand Orient of Spain or the Spanish Grand Orient or the Regional Grand Lodges acting under either of these Grand Orient trace their title? There is but one answer—to de Grasse-Tilly who never had the authority, nor could the authority be granted to any one man to confer the Symbolic Degrees of Masonry at his pleasure by even a regular Grand Lodge for reasons well known to all regular Masons, i. e., there must be a charter or dispensation, issued by a regularly constituted Grand Lodge; there must be not less than seven to constitute a Lodge of Entered Apprentices; not less than five to form a Lodge of Fellow Crafts and not less than three to organize a Lodge of Master Masons.”

In this connection we think our Brethren will be interested to read what is certainly one of the oldest, if not the

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oldest, patent of what, prior to 1801, was called Sublime Masonry, and after that time Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masonry, the same being in the Library of our Grand Lodge:

## HEALTH, STABILITY AND POWER

# By the Glory of Ye Grand Architect of the Universe

# Lux Ex Tenebris

FROM the East of the Grand of the Most Puissant Council of the Most Valiant Princes and (and) Sublime Masons of the Royal Secret, &c. &c. &c. under the Celestial Canopy of the ZENITH which answers to 39 Degrees 40 M. N. L.

To our ILLUSTRIOUS and Most Valiant Knights and Princes of Free Accepted and Perfect Masons of all Degrees over the Surface of the two Hemispheres.

WE MOSES M. HAYS Gr'd. El'r. Perf't. and Sub'me  
Mason Knight of the East and Prince of Jerusalem &c.  
&c. &c. Pat'r. Noach'te Sovereign Knight of the Sun and  
K—— H &c. &c. &c. Dept'y Insp'tr General over all  
Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Grand Councils of the  
Superior Degrees of Ancient and Modern Free Masonry  
over the Surface of the two Hemispheres. By Patent from  
the Grand Council of Princes of Masons at New York in  
North America &c. &c. &c. under the special protection of  
the Most Puissant Princes and in their Place and Stead  
DO CERTIFY AND ATTEST to all free and Valiant Princes of  
Masons of Free and Accepted Masons &c. &c. &c. That  
our Dear Brother ABRAHAM FORST late of the City of Lon-  
don now Merchant of the City of Philadelphia, in the State  
or Province of Pennsylvania, North America, is known and  
approved Master Mason

Lodge Gr'd. El'r. Perf't. and Sub'me Mason Knight of  
the East and Prince of Jerusalem &c. &c. &c. and that hav-  
ing on the sustained the Brightness of the  
Grand Luminary and giving us the Most Solid Proof of his  
fervency, constancy of the Royal Craft



and of his submission to the Supreme Tribunal of the Sovereign Princes of the Royal Secret we have initiated him Patriarch Noachites Sovereign Knight of the Sun and K——H, and further to the highest Degree in Masonry AND being convinced of his Abilities in the Royal Art and to recompense him for his Assiduity and the Trouble he has taken to come to the perfection of all Degrees in Masonry we have consented to Grant, Constitute and Appoint our said Dear Brother Abraham Forst by these Presents, Deputy Inspector and Grand Master of and over all Lodges of the Royal Arch Gr'd. El'r and Perf't. Masons Councils or Knights of the East and Princes of Jerusalem, &c. &c. &c. Grand Councils of Knights of the Sun and K——H &c. &c. &c. and hereby give him full Power to Constitute Lodges of Royal Arch and Perfection also Councils and Grand Councils of Knights of the East and Princes of Jerusalem &c. &c. &c. also Grand Chapters of Sovereign Knights of the Sun and K——H in the States or Province of VIRGINIA in North America within the Distance of twenty-five Leagues of any such Lodge or Chapter, Council or Grand Council already regularly established and constituted. AND that he the said Abraham Forst in all things shall fully conform and behave himself to all the Rules, Statutes and Laws conformable to all the different Degrees and this Our Patent.

WE THEREFORE pray all the Respectable Bretheren Knights and Princes of Masons to receive our said Dear Brother Abraham Forst in his respectable Qualities and to entertain him favorably in every thing relative to them. WE Promise to have the same Regard to those who shall present themselves to our Lodge and Grand Council furnished with proper and Authentic Titles.

TO WHICH WE MOSES M. HAYS have hereunto subscribed Our Name and affixed Our Seal at Arms and also the Grand Seal of Princes of Masons in the Place where the Greatest of Treasurer are deposited the beholding of which fill Us



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with Comfort Joy and Acknowledgment of all that's Great and Good near the B B this Ninth Day of the Seventh Month called Nissan of the year 7781 and of the Restoration 2351 and of the Vulgar era the Fourth day of April 1781.

MOSES M. HAYS Pr. Mns.

Dy. Gd. Inspr. Gen'l.

BY ORDER

S. BUSH D. G. Sec'y.

*Attest, Vera Copia:*

JULIUS F. SACHSE,

Librarian and Curator.

Nov. 16, 1911.

The Brethren will also be interested in the regulations of the Sublime Lodge at Philadelphia, adopted on December 25, 1784:

"No person can be admitted a member without he is a Master Mason, free and accepted, in some lawful Lodge, according to ancient rule and order."

It will be seen that Sublime Masonry made no claim of jurisdiction over the first three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD H. HART, his second, and an interesting report it is. We agree on many points, but on one we certainly are not in entire agreement. Under Connecticut, our Brother says:

"Dispensations to Lodges for the purpose of attending divine service at some sectarian church is a form of exercise of Grand Master's prerogative that is generally viewed with disfavor by Masonic jurists. Masons individually may well be encouraged to attend divine service at such churches as their individual preferences may lead them to; but it is

scarcely in accordance with Masonic principles for Lodges to visit in a body under a dispensation from the Grand Master some sectarian church, which may represent the individual views of only a portion of the membership, and if dispensations are issued to a Lodge to attend divine service, for instance, at the Presbyterian Church upon a certain Sunday, consistency and a due regard for the individual views of certain of the members would indicate the propriety of attending service at a Jewish Synagogue on a following Saturday."

Whatever the "Masonic principles" on the subject may be, the "Masonic practice" extending over many, many years has been for Lodges, from time to time and on proper occasions, to attend Divine service, and while we do not personally favor frequency of such services, in view of the fact that attendance is entirely voluntary, the sectarian character of the place of worship does not concern us.

We agree with Brother HART in his dissent "as to the propriety of a Grand Master of Masons delivering public addresses upon Masonic matters to public audiences except in connection with some Masonic ceremony."

Under Illinois, our Brethren will be interested in the noble work of charity performed by California Masons:

"The Board of Relief system in vogue in the Jurisdiction of California is the most complete and comprehensive of any Jurisdiction in the world, and as a matter of fact, California not only does more for the relief of distressed sojourning brethren from other Jurisdictions than any other Jurisdiction in the United States, but more than all other American Jurisdictions combined."

Under Massachusetts, we quote:

"Two months after the date of this [September] Communication, Brother Nickerson passed to his eternal reward.



Brother Nickerson, at the time of this Communication, was in feeble health, but manifested to a surprising degree his wonted mental vigor. The particular subject that awakened the fires of former years being the claim of Pennsylvania that recent discoveries in that State had established beyond peradventure of doubt the fact of the existence of organized Freemasonry in Pennsylvania prior to the date of the establishment of our Institution in Massachusetts, and if there is anything that will produce an effect akin to rabies among the Masons of Massachusetts it is the assertion from Pennsylvania that Masonry was established in the colony of William Penn at an earlier date than upon the shores of Massachusetts Bay.

“From the standpoint of an unprejudiced observer, it would seem that Pennsylvania has the best of the argument in its contention, that at least one Masonic Lodge was in existence in Philadelphia six years prior in 1733, which is the date of the establishment of St. John’s Lodge in Boston, and as a further fact, it is probably true that Masonic Lodges existed in both colonies prior to either 1733 or 1727, although there may not be in existence now any written evidence of this fact, and this is not surprising because it is well known that for at least forty years after the establishment of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717, warrants to establish Lodges were not issued in writing under hand and seal, as became the custom later. The claim of Pennsylvania to the existence of a so-called Grand Lodge in that colony as early as 1731, appears to be well established, and the power of the individual Lodges to form a Grand Lodge arose from prescriptive right, the same right that enabled the Lodges in England to get together and form a Grand Lodge twelve or fifteen years previously.”

We fully agree with our Brother, under New Jersey, “that a Grand Lodge, illegitimate at its inception, can never gain legitimacy simply through lapse of time.”



## CALIFORNIA.

In his Conclusion, Brother HART gives some remarks as to his having

“intended to give them [the Brethren] information upon certain curious things which we have observed in traversing, during the past year, the corridors of Grand Lodge reports; also mentioning the subjects that have been chief matters of discussion by Correspondence Committees, venturing also an expression of our own opinion upon these questions.”

We regret that space allows us to quote only his remarks as to

## “ PENNSYLVANIA.

“ Pennsylvania has no Jurisprudence Committee and the decisions of the Grand Master are not subject to even consideration by the Grand Lodge, but are final and stand as the law of the Jurisdiction; unless and until reversed or annulled by some succeeding Grand Master.

“ This jurisdiction also is noted as possessing the most costly and beautiful and most magnificent Masonic Temple in the world. Pennsylvania also lays claim to the distinction of being the first American colony in which Freemasonry was established. This claim is stoutly controverted by Massachusetts, which maintains that the oldest Masonic Lodge in America, possessing continuous existence, is St. John's Lodge of Boston, with unbroken records running back to 1733. The claim of Pennsylvania, fortified by the recent discovery of certain manuscripts, is to the effect that a regular Masonic Lodge (St. John's Lodge) was in active operation in 1727, seven years prior to the establishment of St. John's Lodge of Boston, and that in the Province of Pennsylvania a Grand Lodge was in existence as early as 1731, being the third Grand Lodge in the world, having been preceded only by that of England, established in 1717, and of Ireland, in 1729.

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“The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, if there was a Grand Lodge as early as 1731, was formed, the same as the Grand Lodge of England, through the voluntary coming together of previously existing, regular Masonic Lodges, and it is not wholly improbable that Lodges of this character existed in both Massachusetts and Philadelphia even prior to the year 1727, the alleged date of the establishment in Philadelphia of St. John’s Lodge.”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well reviewed and the more important matters summarized. Ours is “financially one of the strongest, possibly the strongest, Masonic Jurisdiction in the world.” Grand Master ORLADY’S address and decisions are commented upon, and note is taken of our “usual exhaustive and instructive report,” our Brother correcting us in one matter:

“Under the caption of California, he speaks of our Grand Lodge returning to the custom prevailing prior to 1906 of not having reports of Committee of Investigation upon petitioners for the degrees read in the Lodge. The custom up to 1906 was that these reports *were* read in the Lodges, but in 1906, by virtue of a resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge, these reports in future were not to be read, and the only change adopted in 1908 was a slight modification of the rule adopted in 1906, but in no wise affecting the general purpose of maintaining secrecy as to names of committeemen and the nature of their individual reports, which was the principal change effected by the modification of the law in 1906.”

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 340; initiated, not stated; total Master Masons, 43,675, a gain of 2668.

Most Worshipful Brother DANA REID WELLER, of Los Angeles, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother JOHN WICHER, of San Francisco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## COLORADO—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, of Colorado, began its Fifty-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Denver, on Tuesday, September 19, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, morning and afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT B. MCGAFFEY, Grand Master.

After the opening of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary called the roll of the deceased Grand Masters, and the Grand Master responded by giving the year in which the Brother served as Grand Master and the date of his death, and adding a brief tribute to their memories.

The Grand Master's address shows a thorough and efficient Brother, whose administration will be remembered.

He granted one dispensation to allow a Lodge to attend Divine service in an Episcopalian Church, and regretted his action, and refused all similar requests. As it is not at all obligatory upon any Brother to attend such service, we think, if the occasion is a Masonic one, such a dispensation may be properly granted, though we confess to no desire to appear in public in Masonic dress except upon Masonic occasions. For instance, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in the month of September celebrated the 125th Anniversary of its independence as a Grand Lodge, and the celebration lasted over three days: on one, Sunday, September 24th, in the afternoon the officers of the Grand Lodge, and a number of members with our guests, walked in procession from the Masonic Temple, to the historic old Christ Church, where Divine service was held; the second day, a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, followed by a banquet; and on the third, the Grand Master, assisted by his Grand Lodge Officers, laid the cornerstone of the Grand Lodge Hall of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. We are inclined to think that our Most Wor-



shipful Brother's ideas as to the so-called universality of Masonry lead him too far.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, and the Grand Lodge, approved the Grand Master's action, adding, "It is not intended to recommend the refusal to grant permission to attend church on all proper Masonic occasions."

The Grand Master wisely, in our opinion, refused a dispensation to a Lodge to meet in the open air on the top of a mountain to confer the Master Mason's degree. We also think he wisely refused to allow a Lodge to appear in public in a church, and take part in the Tercentenary Celebration of the publication of the English edition of the Holy Bible; such was not a Masonic occasion.

He reported his attendance at the meeting at Alexandria, Virginia, in February:

" WASHINGTON MEMORIAL.

"In compliance with the request of this Grand Lodge, made at its last annual Communication, I attended, as your Representative, the meeting of 'The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association,' which was held in Alexandria, Virginia, on February 21 and 22, 1911.

"This meeting was held in the old and historic Lodge room of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, at Alexandria, Virginia—a Lodge whose first Communication was held on February 25, 1783, and which received its charter from the Grand Lodge of Virginia in the year 1788. George Washington was appointed as its first Master under the Charter and served as Master during the appointive term, and was then elected by the Lodge as his own successor, serving, altogether, as Master, some twenty months. He was an active member of the Lodge at the time of his death, and the Lodge conducted the Masonic ceremonies at his burial. After the death of General Washington, the name of the Lodge was changed to Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22.

“ The meeting was very enthusiastic and was said to be the largest assemblage of Grand Masters ever congregated, thirty-three Grand Jurisdictions being represented. The meeting was presided over by the Grand Master of Virginia, a Constitution and By-Laws were adopted, setting forth the object of the Association, which is as follows:

“ OBJECT.

“ First—The object of this Association shall be the collection of a Fund to erect and maintain a suitable Masonic Memorial to George Washington, in the form of a Temple, in the city of Alexandria, Virginia; provided, that at least one floor therein be set apart forever as a Memorial Hall, to be under the control of the several Grand Jurisdictions in the United States of America, members of this Association.

“ Second—To provide a place where the several Grand Jurisdictions, members of said Association, may perpetuate, in imperishable form, the memory and achievements of the men whose distinguished services, zealous attachment and unswerving fidelity to the principles of our institution merit particular and lasting reward; to create, foster and diffuse a more intimate, fraternal spirit, understanding and intercourse between the several Grand Jurisdictions and Sovereign Grand Bodies throughout the United States and her insular possessions, members of this Association; to cherish, maintain and extend the wholesome influence and example of our illustrious dead.

“ M. W. Brother Thomas J. Shryock, who has been Grand Master of Maryland for twenty-five consecutive years, was elected President of the Association. Your Grand Master was elected Third Vice-President, the Grand Master of Alabama was elected Secretary, and the Grand Master of Massachusetts Treasurer.

“ Alexandria-Washington Lodge is in possession of an almost priceless collection of Washington relics, among them



the silver trowel which Washington used when laying the corner-stone of our national capitol in 1793; the Masonic apron embroidered by Madam Lafayette and presented to General Washington by General Lafayette in 1784; the Master's Chair that he occupied when Master of the Lodge, and which was used by succeeding Masters for one hundred and seventeen years; a picture of Washington, painted in 1794, for which the Lodge has refused \$50,000.00, and many other relics of great value. One of the objects in building this Memorial is to have an absolutely safe place in which to store these mementoes of this great man and Mason.

"President Taft was present at the meeting and expressed himself as 'delighted to be here and honor with you the memory of that greatest of Masons, George Washington, and to take part in the movement which is to give him a Memorial Hall here in Alexandria.'

"Under the Constitution of the Association, every Grand Master is ex-officio a member, and each Grand Lodge is entitled to a Representative to be elected for such term and in such manner as the Grand Lodge may determine.

"The Association requested each Grand Lodge to contribute one hundred dollars towards defraying its necessary expenses.

"I am thoroughly in sympathy and heartily in accord with the object of this Association and the action that it has taken, and I believe that Colorado Masons should be foremost in its support, as they were foremost in its inception. It being expressly understood that this Grand Lodge is not financially obligated to either the erection or maintenance of the memorial building.

"I would, therefore, recommend that this Grand Lodge endorse this movement, that an appropriation of one hundred dollars be made and paid to the Treasurer of the Association, as requested by it, and that this Grand Lodge elect a representative to said Association."



This portion of the Grand Master's address was referred to a special committee, which reported favorably, and suggested that Brother MCGAFFEY be elected their representative, which was done, and the appropriation of \$100 made.

The writer, who was elected First Vice-President of the Association, ventures to say that Grand Master MCGAFFEY has confused the apron presented by Brothers WATSON and COSSOUL (the former a citizen of New York, the latter of Nantes, France, together composing a mercantile firm at Nantes), which is justly treasured by Alexandria-Washington Lodge, with the Lafayette apron which is now in the Library of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Under Iowa, we have pointed out the inaccuracy as to the length of WASHINGTON'S time of service as Master of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22.

On the second afternoon, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters WILLIAM B. MELISH, of Ohio, and WILLIAM H. NORRIS, of Iowa, and Brother LEE S. SMITH, of Pennsylvania, were most welcome visitors. From the remarks of Brother MELISH, who had recently visited the Grand Lodge of England, we quote the following for our Brethren's information:

"The Grand Master is the Duke of Connaught, and this being the coronation year, although he has been Grand Master for five years, it was decided that among the coronation festivities, the Grand Lodge of England would install His Royal Highness as Grand Master in Royal Albert Hall, which is the largest auditorium in the City of London. This hall is shaped like an egg and consists of an enormous stage and seven tiers of seats and holds ten thousand five hundred people. I was, therefore, somewhat astounded when the members of the Grand Lodge entered in a great deal of form and with a great deal of dignity to find, when

we reached the dais and turned around to look upon the Grand Lodge, that it consisted of an enormous number of Brethren. There were 8,270 Master Masons there in the Grand Lodge, which is an enormous gathering. Every man was dressed in what is called Masonic clothing. He gets a notice as to what his Masonic clothing is, and he would not be admitted at the door unless he was clothed precisely as he was ordered to be clothed. In this instance it was dark clothes, black tie, symbolizing the fact that the year of mourning for the Grand Master, King Edward VII, had not yet ended; white kid gloves and his Masonic clothing, which consists of an apron and collar and gauntlets for Past Grand Officers. These are in four different colors of blue, that is, four different tints of blue which denote the different grades or ranks, the Masters and Wardens of Blue Lodges, Past Masters of England and Past Provincial Grand Masters. They have no Past Grand Masters. The Grand Officers entered preceded by trumpeters. Every one stood at attention on the first floor and those who had seats on the middle aisle turned and faced the middle aisle with arms crossed upon the breast and then the procession of some two hundred officers passed through. When the Pro Grand Master, who is the Deputy Grand Master, and really the active Grand Master, because His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, cannot give the time to attend to the details of the office of Grand Master, entered, the Brethren were called to their feet and gave the grand honors under the direction of a Grand Officer they call the Grand Director General of Ceremonies. They all stood up and took their time, and those 8,270 men moved like a piece of machinery, giving the Grand Honors nine times. To see some sixteen thousand hands perform that ceremony with just one reverberation of sound was something that to me was inspiring not because of their numbers, but because of what it stood for."



Brother CHARLES H. DUDLEY, the Grand Orator, delivered an interesting oration from which we should like to quote.

The report on Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF, who selects interesting matters for his Brethren. Last year he was quite reticent as to his own views, and this year he is more so.

Under Arkansas, we quote the following:

“While in many Grand Jurisdictions the subordinate Lodges are cautioned against the use of initials for given names in their returns, we note that Grand Officers, Delegates, etc., are thus designated, and it is impossible to determine whether J. stands for John, James or Jeremiah.”

We may say that we have sought in vain to ascertain what the first initial of Colorado's new Grand Master stands for, whether Harold, Henry, Hiram, Horace, or Hubert.

In his conclusion, our Brother notes the phenomenal growth of our Fraternity, adding: “It is a good sign that so many young men are joining our Lodges and identifying themselves with our Fraternity.”

Pennsylvania for 1910 is reviewed. The account of the portrait of WASHINGTON, now at Alexandria, Virginia, is quoted, and extracts made from Grand Master GUTHRIE's address, Brother GREENLEAF adding:

“The Grand Master in Pennsylvania is the supreme authority during his term of office, and his decisions are not subject to revision by the Grand Lodge, unless there is some violation of a landmark or of their Constitution.”

Our report is mentioned, and our wonderment in connection with their Fiftieth Anniversary celebration, “if there are no men singers in Colorado,” noted. We were



impressed with the fact that the *women* singers took such a large part in the programme of a *men's* celebration.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 124; initiated, 951; total membership, 14,917, a gain of 606.

Most Worshipful Brother H. W. WOODWARD, of Leadville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. JACOBSON, of Denver, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### CONNECTICUT—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Connecticut began its One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of New Haven, on January 8, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, two morning and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FRED A. VERPLANCK, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a vigilant Brother. In going over the tributes to those who had entered into life eternal during the year, we learned that our lamented friend, the Reverend BEVERLY E. WARNER, D.D., LL.D., who died at New Orleans, where he had been a great force for good, had been Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut in 1889, at which time he was the Rector of Christ Church, Bridgeport.

The Grand Master had issued several dispensations for "the purpose of attending Divine Worship in regalia," following precedent, but was of the opinion that "no Lodge should appear in regalia except for the purpose of performing Masonic work or attending Divine Worship in celebration of Saints Johns' Days."

We find that the Grand Lodge held a Special Communication on a Sunday, "so that the Grand Master might unveil

and dedicate a monument to the Masonic dead." We infer that the Grand Master regards this as "Masonic work."

Query, Should Masonic work be done on Sunday?

The Grand Master reported his attendance at the meeting of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and recommended that the Grand Lodge grant the necessary permission to solicit voluntary subscriptions. Upon report of a special committee, this permission was granted under the supervision of the Grand Master.

The Grand Master thought "there should be no lowering of the standard set forth in the Masonic Law of this jurisdiction governing the external qualifications of candidates."

In his report, Grand Secretary HAVENS, whom it was our pleasure to see again at the celebration of our 125th Anniversary as an independent Grand Lodge, records the receipt of the second volume of "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania."

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is the third from the Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Brother FRANK W. HAVENS, who seems to be a Churchman, ending his report, "Here endeth the Third Lesson." We offer no suggestion as to what would be the appropriate canticle to be sung at this point in the service. Our Brother summarizes well.

Under California, our Brother is able to assure Brother HART that the supposition "the churches in Connecticut are still preaching doctrinal matters is erroneous," and stands up further for the Connecticut clergy, which is all right. Our Brother returns to the subject under Illinois.

We quote under Georgia, the following, with approval:

"Speaking of the Correspondence he [Brother MOODY] says, among other things, 'he thinks the doctrine of Perpetual Jurisdiction is right because it protects both Jurisdictions.' And then asks the question, 'but what protec-



tion has the applicant?' To which we reply most emphatically that Masonry does not set itself up to protect any applicant knocking at its doors. If, having knocked once, he, upon investigation, has been found unworthy, there should be no protection for him, but the Jurisdiction should protect themselves against the possibility of one who had been found unworthy breaking in where he is not known. If it so happens that an injury or injustice has been done in the first case upon evidence thereof, or that reform has taken place, it is the system in Connecticut, upon request, to release that jurisdiction."

We are surprised at our Brother's question under Idaho, "Why should dedication be denied because part ownership is among the profane?" We should think the answer would be obvious.

Brother HAVENS has had a wide experience. He once knew a very conscientious temperance advocate who refused to eat apples because they were used in making cider!

He is opposed to the introduction of a General Grand Lodge, as are we.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is commented upon.

"The Library and Museum which are purely Masonic, are among the largest in the world and great interest is taken by the Librarian in showing his treasures to those entitled to see them."

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"The charities of this Grand Lodge are large and earnest men are engaged in taking care of very important financial trusts which produce the money necessary for these large alimonies."

Grand Master ORLADY's address, Brother HAVENS says, "is full of interest, as every one would expect who has ever heard him speak or read his writings. His decisions,



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which were many, are not to be gainsaid. They are masterly as becomes the decisions of a Judge on the bench, such as he is. Much more could be said of interest concerning his large jurisdiction, but anything short of the whole would be to give it but partial impression."

Our report ("more than interesting") is noted and our consideration of Connecticut summarized.

Number of Lodges, 110; initiated, 1066; total membership, 23,251, a gain of 499.

Most Worshipful Brother RANDOLPH B. CHAPMAN, of Madison, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother FRANK W. HAVENS, of Hartford, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## CUBA—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba held Communications on June 26, September 25, October 5 and 29, December 25, A.D. 1910, and the Annual Communication on March 26 and 30, A.D. 1911.

Most Worshipful Brother AURELIO MIRANDA, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary's report, and the introduction to the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence are given in English, as well as in Spanish.

The address of the Grand Master shows a zealous, diligent Brother. We quote:

"I shall only state, without giving details, several important facts, viz: the invitation of the Grand Lodge by the President of the Republic to participate in the New Year's Reception (the first time that ever happened such thing in Cuba), we being most cordially received. I shall mention also how all the lodges of Havana now work in this Temple,

with the exception of *Pozos Dulces* and *Guaicanamar* Lodges, whose membership reside in the suburbs, and *Island* Lodge formed by American brothers who own a hall together with several allied associations. The act of discovering a marble slab by the Supreme Council of the 33° A. A. S. R. in order to commemorate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. That organization being in most friendly relations with us as evinced by written treaties and community of affection. The promulgation of amendments to our Code, as ordered in a legislative session. The principal part taken by us in conveying the remains of the eminent patriot Francisco Vicente Aguilera to his native place, to whom a statue is being raised in the province of Orient, to which the Grand Lodge has contributed some money. The prompt and efficient aid lent to the victims of the wreck of the barracks of Pinar del Rio, so quick in arriving that it was the first money received by the Provincial Governor. The no less rapid aid paid to the victims of the last cyclone, as also to those of the hecatomb of the neighboring republic of Costa Rica. I must state here that on account of the above named cyclone the following Lodges received considerable damages: *Virtud*, of Batabano, *Vida Espontánea*, of San Cristobal, and *Luz del Sur*, of Trinidad, the first named losing all the property she owned; hall, goods and archives."

The report on Correspondence is chiefly by the Chairman, Brother FRANCISCO DE P. RODRIGUEZ, who had some assistance from Brothers LOPEZ SENA and GERARDO L. BATANCOURT.

The following words of Brother RODRIGUEZ may interest our Brethren:

"In Mexico, unhappily, masonic division accentuates: two Grand Lodges already exist in the Capital owing their constitution to the race of their components: one is formed

quite entirely by natives of the United States and the other by mexicans. We do not desire at this moment to discuss what is the legal precept asisting any of the two contending bodies, but is a truth that Masonic intervention has taken place in that country and the descendants of Moctezuma and Quahutemoc, Xicotencalt and Netzahualcoyotl, will never accept the intervention of any body in their own affairs, whatever excuse they may offers for so doing. In Mexico foreign interventions have been paid very dear, witness the Habsburgs."

Our Brother sustains himself successfully and with dignity in connection with the criticisms made by a Paris Masonic magazine, called "L'Acacia," upon Cuba, for severing relations with the Grand Orient of France which some years ago ceased to be Masonic by striking out God from her Constitutions.

Under Michigan, we quote a paragraph we find in English:

"Let Bro. Winsor know something more yet: when a young man, while at Cornell, there was a Michigan girl, a Detroit black eyed mermaid who whispered many kind words of affection into the ear of a poor isolated foreign student who bye and bye, in maturer years, became the Reporter of Cuban Masonry and the Representative of the Michigan Masonic Craft in the Pearl of the Antilles. Do you think that I can ever forget Michigan?"

Number of Lodges, 73, a gain of 10; initiated, 330; total membership, 3038, a gain of 408.

Most Worshipful Brother AURELIO MIRANDA, of Havana, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother CARLOS G. CHARLES, of Havana, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## DELAWARE—1910-1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, of Delaware began its One Hundred and Fifth Annual Communication, in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Wilmington, at noon on Wednesday, October 5, A.D. 1911, and closed the following morning, four sessions being held. There seems to be some uncertainty as to the correct title of this Grand Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD B. MODE, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is an interesting report of a year of pleasant work, our Brother considering that "the duty of Grand Master was as that of a Brother of the Fraternity and not as an absolute ruler of Delaware Masons."

Under "Foreign Correspondence," he reports:

"June 10th, 1910, at the request of Lafayette Lodge, No. 14, I asked the R. W. Grand Master of Pennsylvania to permit Lucius H. Scott Lodge, No. 359, of Chester, Pa., to take charge of and perform the burial service in accordance with Masonic Custom over the remains of our late Brother, William H. Meyers, a member of Lafayette Lodge, No. 14, and who resided at Marcus Hook, Pa.

"The request was granted and Lucius H. Scott Lodge, No. 359, performed the last sad rights over our departed Brother, who had been called to his Long Home."

and under "Visitations—Sister Jurisdictions":

"December 27th, 1909, St. John's Day, accompanied by Past Grand Masters Harry J. Guthrie and Thomas J. Day, I paid a visit to the R. W. Grand Lodge, of Pennsylvania, being its Annual Communication. Grand Master George B. Orlady delivered an excellent address, as he always

does, and we witnessed the installation of their Grand Master elect George W. Guthrie and his officers.”

He referred to the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and, later, Brother CHARLES H. CALLAHAN, the Master of Alexandria-Virginia Lodge, No. 22, made an appeal to the Grand Lodge, which gave its approval, appointing our friend Most Worshipful Past Grand Master DAY as its representative.

The subject of a Masonic Home was pressed, and a committee was appointed to take the matter in charge.

There is an interesting report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, but, as *printed* and with the record following it, we are not sure as to one or two points. For one thing it would appear from the record that in Delaware, they approve of *ex post facto* laws.

It would also seem that up to this time, the Grand Sword-bearer in Delaware has had no sword to carry!

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Reverend Brother LEWIS H. JACKSON, Grand Chaplain, unfortunately his last, for he entered into eternal life December 6, 1910. Brother JACKSON was a native of Pennsylvania. His reports have been very interesting, and admirably condensed. Our Brother's kindly nature appears in this report.

Our Brother under Louisiana asks:

“How can American Grand Lodges recognize the legitimacy of Grand Bodies of the so-called Scottish Rite?”

We may say that so long ago as 1819 the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania declined to allow its members to visit Lodges warranted by Scottish Rite bodies.

Commenting upon the question, asked in North Carolina, if a candidate could be allowed to “affirm” instead of being required to “swear,” he says the answer was correct: “No;



he must be sworn upon the Holy Bible;" Brother JACKSON adds "Men cannot be made Masons in their own way. They must submit to regulations."

Under Rhode Island, referring to the use of stereopticon, our Brother justly says, "Masonry is not a moving picture show."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is considered, and interestingly summarized.

The address of Grand Master ORLADY is noted and several decisions quoted, and our report is mentioned.

Referring to Grand Master GUTHRIE's appointment of "fifteen Grand Chaplains, two Bishops among the number," Brother JACKSON is "glad to see the Jurisdiction so well supplied with divinity."

Number of Lodges, 22; initiated, 139; total Master Masons, 3131, a gain of 82. It is odd that with such a small number of Lodges, there should be two "Union" and two "Temple" Lodges.

Most Worshipful Brother G. LAYTON GRIER, of Milford, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother VIRGINIUS V. HARRISON, of Wilmington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

The One Hundred and Sixth Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Wilmington, on Wednesday, October 4, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, the usual three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother G. LAYTON GRIER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a careful paper.

Under "Foreign Correspondence," we quote:

"On February 2d, I received a letter from the R. W. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, calling attention to the case of the widow of a former Grand Master of Delaware, who now resides in the city of Phila-



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delphia, and who was reported in need of assistance. This matter was referred to the Committee of the Grand Charity Fund."

Also:

"On May 22d, I wrote the R. W. Grand Master of Pennsylvania as follows:

" 'I am informed that recently Goddard Lodge, No. 383, located at Coatesville, Pa., invaded the Jurisdiction of Delaware, performing labor in the burial of one of its members.

" 'Believing that you will not sanction such acts and that you desire information of any irregularity, I respectfully call this matter to your attention for investigation, that the facts may be learned, so that you may be able to prevent a repetition of this occurrence.'

"I have not received a reply to this letter."

We are able to say that this letter did not reach our Grand Master GUTHRIE, who, as soon as he heard of it, as being noted in these Proceedings now under review, at once wrote to Grand Master GRIER.

Under "Visitations," he mentions his visit to our Grand Lodge on St. John the Evangelist's Day, and also:

"On September 25th, I had the honor and pleasure to attend the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary celebration of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The Grand Masters of many Jurisdictions were present and a number of very able and instructive addresses were delivered.

"A most interesting historical address was delivered by J. Henry Williams, R. W. Senior Grand Warden of Pennsylvania; and 'Free Masonry and Education,' was a topic very ably presented by Bro. Edgar F. Smith, Provost of the University of Pennsylvania. In reply to the greetings of the R. W. Grand Master, I expressed, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, our sentiments of good-will and fraternal regard."

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Grand Master emphasizes the importance of preserving old records. He reports the following:

“In July, I received a letter, accompanied by considerable data, from the Secretary of Jackson Lodge, No. 19, requesting that I afford relief to Harrison M. Carey, a former member of that Lodge.

“It appears that Harrison M. Carey was made a Mason in Jackson Lodge, No. 19. Subsequently he removed to Pennsylvania, and secured a certificate of demit from Jackson Lodge. This he presented with a petition for membership to a Pennsylvania Lodge, at Spring City.

“The Pennsylvania Lodge declined to act upon his petition and refused to return him his certificate of demit, basing their refusal on the ground that he had once before sought membership in a Pennsylvania Lodge and been rejected. This he denies, and asks for relief.

“After consultation with the Committee on Jurisprudence, I replied to the Secretary of Jackson Lodge, stating that it was not in my power to afford relief. Harrison M. Carey, having withdrawn his membership from Jackson Lodge, No. 19, and having left this Jurisdiction, has deprived himself of the protection resulting from membership in a Lodge of this Jurisdiction. And, therefore, relief cannot be afforded by Jackson Lodge, No. 19, or by the Grand Lodge of Delaware or by any officer thereof. Having secured a certificate of demit from a Delaware Lodge, removed from this Jurisdiction and petitioned a Pennsylvania Lodge for membership, his case is a matter wholly within the province of the Grand or Subordinate Lodges of Pennsylvania to decide.”

The Jurisprudence Committee approved the Grand Master's decision, but supplemented it by saying, “We are of the unanimous opinion that Jackson Lodge No. 19 can issue a duplicate certificate of demit but that extraordinary



care should be exercised in seeing that it is placed in the hands of the proper party."

Past Grand Master DAY reported his attendance at the meeting of Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and the Grand Lodge voted the \$100 asked for, to pay the necessary expenses, so that every dollar contributed may be devoted to the object for which it is given.

The Masonic Home Committee is to be incorporated, and a per capita tax of one dollar was levied, payable July 1, 1912.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HARRY J. GUTHRIE, who has prepared an interesting and informing report. He is relieved that, according to Alabama, we can sing "Nearer my God, to Thee"; is somewhat vociferous in disapproving, under Connecticut, lowering the standard of external qualifications of candidates; thinks if the late Chairman Brother JACKSON had gone to the bottom of the Mississippi-New Jersey episode, his comment would not have been just as it was; thinks, under Indiana, that "Judge not, lest ye be judged" should have been one of the Landmarks; under New Hampshire, fails to see any benefit to be derived from public installation, and "cannot figure out what business it is of the public," and thinks a Master and a Grand Master should have two years of service; and, under Wisconsin, voices his disapproval of joint occupation of a Masonic Lodge room.

Pennsylvania for 1910 is reviewed, not for 1911, as the types would make it appear. The address of Grand Master GUTHRIE is "a choice Masonic document"; in it he refers:

"to the Constitution of Holy St. John's Lodge, of Philadelphia, bearing date of 1727, the authenticity of which was attacked by our good Brethren of Massachusetts; he defends it with much skill. We have read both sides and think that



Pennsylvania has nothing to apologize for. Our neighbor seems to have the goods."

Referring to the requirement of the production of a receipt for dues of the preceding year before being examined, our Brother says:

"We prefer the year card as documentary evidence instead of a receipt for the preceding year's dues. We feel that if a Lodge chooses to trust a Brother for his dues (or remit them), it is not a subject for review by another and his privilege of visitation should not in our judgment be curtailed while he is yet in good standing (argument to the contrary notwithstanding). He certainly is in good standing until charges have been made against him and he is ordered suspended. It smacks of the 'classy' to require an unknown Brother to produce a clean bill and yet allow a Brother, who may owe three or four years' dues to his home Lodge, to pass in, being known and vouched for by only one Brother, whose only knowledge of the visiting Brother consists in the fact of having sat with him in his home Lodge, and just once. There is something wrong with the proposition that won't protect the Lodge completely."

Our report ("an interesting review") is noted.

Number of Lodges, 22; initiated, 176; total Master Masons, 3224, a gain of 93.

Most Worshipful Brother ENOCH MOORE, of Wilmington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother VIRGINIUS V. HARRISON, of Wilmington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the District of Columbia held its First Stated Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Washington, on Saturday evening, March 12, A.D. 1910, for exemplifying the work.

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Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE C. OBER, Grand Master.

The Second Communication was held May 11, at which time the recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence that the Ottoman Grand Lodge be not recognized was adopted, and a memorial of the late Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ELDRED GRIFFITH DAVIS, whose portrait we have, was adopted, as was a resolution of sympathy with the family of the late King EDWARD VII, the British Empire and the Freemasons of England, in the loss they have sustained.

On May 12, a Special Communication was held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, and we are told of the ceremonies by which the Grand Master dedicated the Cathedral to *Freemasonry*.

We are at a loss to understand this. The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia has no control over the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

At the Third Communication, held September 24, the Grand Master reported an invitation from the Bishop of Washington, the Right Reverend Brother ALFRED HARDING, to attend a Masonic service at the site of the Cathedral on Mt. St. Albans. From Brother HARDING's letter we quote:

"At the request of a number of clergymen of the Episcopal Church, who are members of the Masonic order, a committee appointed by them has made an examination of the history of those great Masonic corporations which flourished during the Middle Ages, from which Free and Accepted Masonry is so justly proud to reckon its descent. Their researches disclose a very close relationship between the building of those great monumental works, the cathedrals, and the guilds of operative Masons, whose skill and ingenuity they so fittingly commemorate.

"To so great an extent is this that it has been said that there is hardly any cathedral, either on the continent or



in England, that has not been built, wholly or in part, by these societies, while it has been conjectured that the distinctive style of architecture called Gothic may have been conceived, as Rebold alleges, from the Bauhutten or wooden booths built around the cathedrals in which Masonic Lodges are thought to have first taken their form as deliberative assemblies, and in which the philosophy of the craft received its development.

“So close indeed was this association between these Masonic bodies and the building of cathedrals that Brentano (*History and Development of Guilds*, London, 1870, p. 80), ascribes the growth and varied fortunes of Masonry to the strength or weakness of the incentive towards cathedral building.

“In modern cathedral and church buildings in England the Masonic fraternity has taken conspicuous part both in the ceremonies of laying cornerstones and in contributing portions of the buildings in the name of the order.

“Feeling, therefore, that the associations whose skill and ingenuity erected such beautiful structures as the cathedrals of Rheims, Bourges, Amiens, Cologne and Strasberg on the continent, and Canterbury, York, Exeter, Winchester, Wells and Saint Paul’s, London, in England, ought not to be forgotten, nor their historical continuance, namely, Free and Accepted Masonry, disassociated from the project of building a great cathedral here in the Capital city, the Bishop, Chapter and Council of the Cathedral of Saint Peter and Saint Paul are desirous of holding a great Masonic service on the Cathedral site sometime in the early autumn. The date we have in mind is Sunday, September 25, 1910, at 4 o’clock in the afternoon.”

At the Annual Communication held December 21, the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features form the frontispiece, delivered his annual address, a full, very in-



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forming and interesting paper. His administration seems to have been very useful. He tells of the service at Mt. St. Albans, fully thirty-five hundred Brother Masons being in attendance:

“The day upon which the Masonic craft of the District of Columbia attended divine services at Mount St. Albans will long live as a most memorable day in the minds of the many thousands who were present.”

The Grand Lodge gave its approval to the purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and a charter was granted for a new Lodge.

At the St. John's Day Communication, December 27, the new Grand Master was duly installed and made a graceful address.

The report on Correspondence is the eleventh from the pen of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother GEORGE W. BAIRD, whose reports are appreciated by his Brethren. Brother BAIRD has travelled extensively, and he tells us, under British Columbia:

“From our personal experience we believe it is easier for an unvouched for visitor to get into the average lodge outside of the United States than inside of it.”

Under California, our Brother is mistaken in saying that the resolutions appended to the very interesting special report of the Committee on the Status of Masonry in the Philippines, from which we have quoted above, were adopted.

Our Brother from time to time makes his protest against giving the names of Brethren convicted of disgraceful offences, “just such material as the enemies of Masonry want when they attack” it.

Under Delaware, Brother BAIRD gives us some information:

“ Our good Brother Jackson thinks the Grand Lodge of Delaware was not hasty in its course toward the New Jersey-Mississippi difference. If our good brother will go to the bottom of the facts, already explained, he will see that New Jersey has never chartered a negro lodge: that the Grand Lodge not only acted entirely within its constitution and prerogatives, but was powerless to prevent that (Alphia) lodge from making its own membership, including the mulattos. It must be remembered that the Grand Lodge of New Jersey refused to seal the mulattos and give them the charter they sought and which they afterwards possessed themselves of by the aid of the white charter members of that (Alphia) lodge.

“ To cut-off and disfranchise a whole jurisdiction for the questionable fault of a few of its nigger-loving members does not seem right to the writer, nor can he see how the Grand Lodge of New Jersey could have done differently.

“ We believe that so soon as the better members in the Grand Lodge of Mississippi understand the situation they will be glad to undo the wrong they have inflicted. We also think that it is well that so many of our Grand Lodges are taking neither side.

“ This matter of admitting negroes to legitimate lodges is not new. It began when the Grand Lodge of England chartered African Lodge, No. 459, in Massachusetts, before the Army of Great Britain left our shores. Worse than that, it was a military lodge which initiated Prince Hall and the other charter nigger members of that lodge, when the charter of a British Military Lodge authorized them to initiate only their own soldiers.”

Under Illinois, Brother BAIRD says that Brother SCOTT corrects him in his understanding that Illinois recognized Mexico, adding:

“ We have had letters from Dr. Robbins in which he roundly condemned the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and it is a surprise, now, to learn that he favored its recognition.”

Our Brother is sadly confused: Brother ROBBINS never favored the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

Our Brother tells us (the italics are ours) that “ the removal of the Bible from their altars does permit an atheist to become a member of the Orient, but that is *all the writer has found against the Grand Orient (i.e., of France).*”

We should think that was quite enough.

Under Maryland, referring to Grand Master SHRYOCK’S twenty-five years as Grand Master, Brother BAIRD makes a good suggestion :

“ There is an unwritten law in Rome which authorizes the erection of a statue of a pope who shall have served in that capacity for 25 years, to be placed beside the effigy of St. Peter. We believe that only one pope survived for that period. We hope the Masons of Maryland will set up a statue of Shryock, who has broken the record of Grand Masters.”

Our Brother calls attention to the fact that the Grand Lodge of England has no burial service. “ After the church service is read the Brethren pass around the grave and throw in a sprig of evergreen.”

Under Vermont, quoting Brother PERKINS’S remark, “ a Shriner’s badge is entirely out of place in portraits of Grand Masters in Grand Lodge publications,” he adds that Brother PERKINS “ is by no means alone in that opinion,” and we concur. \*

Pennsylvania for 1909 is summarized. Our Brother notes that no sojourners from the District of Columbia received aid from our Almoners.



We quote:

“The Grand Lodge has printed and distributed a History of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania from 1727 to 1907. A copy is sent to every lodge in Pennsylvania and every Grand Lodge in correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. It is probably a most valuable mine of Masonic history and will fill a long-felt want.

“The Grand Master, after hearing many complaints about the alleged ‘improper use of the black ball,’ came to the logical conclusion ‘that the improper and unmasonic use of the black ball is not as frequent an occurrence as is supposed.’ We came to that conclusion long ago. Such complaints, to a Grand Master are made when the wounds are fresh, but if note is made and the career of the black-balled man is watched for a period of five years it will often prove the correctness of that rejection. It is so everywhere.”

Our report is quoted from. We did not think it necessary to comment on the Mississippi-New Jersey matter.

Number of Lodges, 28; initiated, 389; total membership, 9005, a gain of 129.

Most Worshipful Brother J. CLAUDE KEIPER, of Washington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ARVINE W. JOHNSTON, of Washington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## ENGLAND—1911.

THE Most Worshipful United Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England held Quarterly Communications at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of London, on Wednesday, December 7, A.D. 1910, and Wednesday, March 1, and Wednesday, June 7, 1911; and the Annual Grand Festival at the Royal Albert Hall, London, on Wednesday, April 26.

The Pro Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother the Right Honorable LORD AMPHILL, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., was on the throne at the December and March Quarterlies and at the Annual Grand Festival, and the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother the Right Honorable THOMAS FREDERICK HALSEY, at the June Quarterly.

It is somewhat odd that, while in the title of this Grand Lodge as given in its Constitutions the word "Ancient" is spelled "Antient," it is spelled "Ancient" in the printed Proceedings.

At the December Quarterly, a donation of \$2500 was made to the fund being raised for a Memorial to the late King EDWARD VII, and announcement was made that the Grand Master had conferred the rank and dignity of Past Assistant Director of Ceremonies upon Brother HENRY SADLER, an honorary distinction well deserved. It was our good fortune to meet this worthy Brother several years ago, and we recall his courtesies with pleasure. Unfortunately Brother SADLER was not allowed to wear his new honors here long, having been called to the Grand Lodge on High on October 15. When a year and more ago he resigned his place as Grand Tyler (on a well-earned pension), he did not give up his valued work in connection with the Grand Lodge Library. By his writings he made valuable contributions to Masonic literature.

At the March Quarterly, nothing of very general interest was considered.

At the Annual Grand Festival, the Grand Master, the Most Worshipful Brother His Royal Highness the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AND STRATHEARN, K.G. (who was soon to set out for Canada to become its Governor-General), was expected to be present, to be installed again, but his ill-health prevented, much to his regret and that of the vast number of Brethren present, a distinguished visitor being our friend Past Grand Master MELISH of Ohio. We have in this re-



port, under Colorado, quoted our Brother's description of the very interesting occasion, in spite of the Grand Master's absence.

At the June Quarterly, a fraternal and kindly reply was made by the Most Worshipful Grand Master to the address presented to him at the great meeting of the Grand Lodge, held in the Royal Albert Hall, on April 26.

Among the donations reported to the Library, we note the following: "Facsimile of a Letter from L. Dermott" by "Dr. Julius F. Sachse, Philadelphia," and "Masonic Register of Pennsylvania, 1911," by "Benjamin Hayllar, Philadelphia."

The Grand Lodge approved the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes that the salary of the Grand Secretary be increased \$1000 a year, as from January 1 last, with the understanding "that such increase should not be considered as a permanent endowment of the office of Grand Secretary, but solely as a personal recognition of the services which have been rendered to Freemasonry by the present Grand Secretary."

This was a well-deserved recognition of the services of a faithful and efficient Brother.

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother His Royal Highness the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, K.G., of London, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother SIR EDWARD LETCHWORTH, F.S.A., of London, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

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### FLORIDA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of Florida began its Eighty-second Annual Communication, in the Masonic Temple (we presume, though it is not stated), in the City of Jacksonville, on Tuesday, January 17, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, three sessions being held each day.



Most Worshipful Brother LOUIS C. MASSEY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a zealous Brother.

Speaking of the Philadelphia Conference at which he was represented by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JAMES CARNELL, he recommends that the recommendations, which were laid over last year, be adopted "as being the unanimous result of the deliberations of some of our most distinguished Brethren."

The Grand Master then states:

"Since my last address, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, heretofore one of the most strenuous and persistent in claiming perpetual jurisdiction, and other Grand Lodges holding like views, have yielded their claims and have adopted the five-year limit."

Our Brother is mistaken as to Pennsylvania, which has by no means yielded its claim to what is frequently called "perpetual jurisdiction," but more properly, as we view it, "perpetual objection"; for, where the ballot has shown that a Masonic objection to the admission of an applicant to the Fraternity exists, until that Masonic objection no longer exists or is removed, he cannot be admitted.

The Grand Master commended the Washington Masonic Memorial and his recommendation was adopted.

Referring to the method of giving charity by allowing appeals to be made, the Grand Master well says:

"True charity seeks to throw the mantle of obscurity over the identity of the recipients, but this method ruthlessly exposes the poverty of the individual and of the lodge to nearly ten thousand persons in the State, and has become little better than licensed mendicancy."

There is much good sense in the following decision :

“ The ceremony of laying a corner-stone cannot be performed when the building has been practically completed, or when its walls have been already built over the place provided for the corner-stone ; much less when a mere space has been left into which the corner-stone is to be slipped. Neither will a corner-stone be laid above the first floor of a building.”

His commendation of the report of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Brother WRIGHT (“ a model report, fine in temper, discriminating in its reviews of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, and full of Masonic learning ”), is very just. We are glad the limitation upon our Brother’s number of pages was removed.

A card receipt for dues hereafter is to be issued under the seal of the Lodge, having upon the reverse a certificate attested by the seal of the Grand Lodge as to the Lodge being a regular Lodge.

The recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence that the time when rejected applicants for initiation may renew their petition be extended from one to five years, was approved.

The Grand Orator, the Reverend Brother H. S. YERGER, D.D., took for his theme “ Self-control.”

In recognition of the facts that the Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother HENRY ROBINSON, was entering upon his *thirty-fifth* year of service, and that the Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother WILBER P. WEBSTER had completed his *fifteenth* consecutive year of service, it was ordered that their portraits be given in the Proceedings, and we find them and that of Past Grand Master BUTLER, who was Grand Master in 1832.

The following amendment was “ proposed, sanctioned and laid over until the next Annual Communication ”:



“ Amend Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution, by adding thereto the words ‘ Provided that when the Grand Lodge is convened in special communication for the purpose of performing some public ceremony, the Grand Master may appoint in writing some Past Grand Master or Past Deputy Grand Master to preside over the Grand Lodge at such special communication as his special Deputy in the absence of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Junior Grand Warden.’ ”

It would seem as if years ago the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Florida had in some manner been deprived of some of the powers of his high Station.

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman of the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother SILAS B. WRIGHT, who, so far as practicable, gives quotations from addresses and reports, thinking it “ more just to all to let the speaker or writer speak in his own language than to try to interpret him.”

Under Iowa, after quoting Brother BECK’s question to us as to whether any order against smoking in the Lodge room has ever been issued by the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and, if so, what luck he had in getting it carried out, Brother WRIGHT says:

“ The writer is surprised at this. We in Florida have no written law upon that subject but we have an unwritten law which is fully understood and enforced by the brethren as well as the Grand Master.

“ Several times during the twenty years of our attendance at Grand Lodge we have seen the Grand Master privately send the Deacon to warn an erring brother who was smoking in open session and in each instance his warning was observed. Possibly twice or three times the warning has been open and general. It occasionally happens



that a newcomer will continue to smoke in open session when called from refreshment to labor, but always desists upon warning."

We note that, very properly, "in Florida applause is entirely forbidden at all times."

From our Brother's conclusion, we quote :

"The masterly, fraternal and hospitable way in which Grand Master Judge Orlady of Philadelphia arranged, handled and carried to success the Philadelphia meeting is the wonder of the Masonic world.

"The ghost of the 'General Grand Lodge' having risen and found nourishment in some quarters, it was completely killed and laid away by the meeting and conference called and held by Grand Master Shryock, at Baltimore. He not only exceeded himself as a wise, far-seeing Masonic Jurist and Grand Master, but made for his Grand Lodge a reputation excelled by none and equalled by few.

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"He so skillfully managed the ugly ghost of the 'General Grand Lodge' that it was killed, cremated and the ashes scattered apparently without a dissenting voice and almost before anyone realized that it ever became dangerous.

"Grand Masters Orlady of Pennsylvania, and Shryock of Maryland, have done a lasting service to the Craft and should receive unstinted credit therefor."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is considered in about eighteen pages. In speaking of Grand Master ORLADY and Philadelphia, Brother WRIGHT appends some resolutions which this writer proposed. Our remarks and resolutions regarding the compliment paid to Grand Master ORLADY by the Grand Lodge of Maryland are said to be of interest and are "reproduced for the Florida Brethren," and our Brother recalls the fact that "the Grand Lodge of Canada conferred

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a similar honor upon Past Grand Master SUTHERLAND of New York a few years since."

Grand Master ORLADY's address is "a masterly, scholarly paper," and "as his [Brother ORLADY's] word is recognized authority among well informed Masons and as the right of Grand Masters to 'make Masons at sight' is questioned in some quarters, we quote his report in full," which he does. He also "is pleased to again note the appointment of R. W. Brother THOS. F. WELLS, of Scranton, as Disct. Dep. G. M."

Our report is kindly said to be "interesting from start to finish," and our Brother "makes no apology for reproducing" our "full and valuable report upon the laws in the Grand Jurisdictions regarding documentary evidence as a prerequisite for examination for visiting Lodges."

Number of Lodges, including three under dispensation, 200; initiated, 732; total membership, 9501, a gain of 423.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT W. GILCHRIST, of Tallahassee, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILBER P. WEBSTER, of Jacksonville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## GEORGIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Georgia began its One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Communication, in the City Auditorium, in the City of Macon, on Tuesday, October 25, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, three morning and two evening sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY BANKS, Grand Master.

Before reading his annual address, the Grand Master, whose pleasantly familiar features look out from the Proceedings, presented to the Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother JAMES M. RUSHIN, a jewel of honor, it being the custom in Georgia to present a Past Master's jewel to



a Past Master who has attended for *thirty* years, and a handsome apron to Past Grand Master TAYLOR, who had just answered to the call of his name for the *fiftieth* year.

The address of the Grand Master is a very long, elaborate and detailed paper, such as is customary, the latter portion being taken up with a beautiful discourse on Freemasonry, from which we quote:

“The prayer of every Mason’s heart should be that all men were Masons, and all Masons true. Then, white-winged peace would hover over all lands, nations would learn war no more. ‘Swords would be beaten into plow shares and spears into pruning hooks’; brotherly love would prevail and every moral and social virtue would cement us.

“And now, my brothers, if we so pray let us so live; and renewing our allegiance to the grand principles of Masonry, study more earnestly her great light, making it the only rule of our faith and practice, and the man of our council, and so move among our brothers and the world that they, seeing the beauty of Masonic holiness as it shines in our words, and deeds may be constrained to exalt Masonry to the high and honored place she so richly deserves. Thus we will speed the glad time when the sublime principles of Masonry will cover the earth as the waters cover the deep, and the glorious sway of her power shall girdle the globe with kindness, love and truth.”

Unfortunately the types at the close of the address fail to tell us to what, “if we be wise the errors of the past may be made stepping” stones (we presume).

All but four of his seventy-eight answers and decisions were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, the Committee saying:

“Brother Banks has been a veritable Daniel in the judgment seat, as well as a wise counselor in the house of



friends. While we regret to lose a Daniel, we congratulate the Craft that we still retain a Jonathan."

We quote the last decision:

"Ques.: Is it un-Masonic to use the name of Jesus Christ in a Masonic prayer?"

"Ruled: That it is not. Masonry does not conflict with the duty we owe to God. The form of prayer is a matter between he who prays and Him to whom the prayer is offered. If my prayer must have the name of Jesus in it to constitute it prayer, and if it is my duty to pray to God, then to compell me to eliminate the name of Jesus from my prayer would interfere with a duty I owe to God. Masonry requires no such sacrifice from Christian Masons. The Christian Mason has no right to require his Hebrew, Mohammedan or Unitarian brother to broaden his prayer and use the name of Jesus, and they no right to require the Christian Mason to eliminate what he conceives to be the most important and vital element of prayer, 'in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ.'"

Our Brother reported that he had broken the record made by his predecessor in the number of visitations.

He contrasted the pay-roll for 1909 (\$19,287.68) with the amount (\$6,109.09) given for the support of the Masonic Home.

Under "Miscellaneous Matters," he reports:

"On September 3rd I received letter from the R. W. Grand Master George W. Guthrie, of Pennsylvania, complaining that Griffin Lodge, No. 413, has invaded the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania on conferring degrees. \* \* \* \* \* The Lodge acted under the idea that as the candidate was a traveling man that gave Griffin Lodge jurisdiction. I ruled it did not, and wrote letter of apology to Grand Master Guthrie."

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He recommended that the Grand Lodge endorse the Washington Masonic Memorial, which the Grand Lodge did, electing Brother BANKS as their representative, and we had the pleasure of seeing this well beloved Brother again at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 22, 1911.

A Grand Lodge Charity Fund was established.

Grand Master BANKS, with great positiveness, declined a re-election, "deeming a one-year term best for Georgia Masons."

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master is very properly given in these Proceedings, which record his election and installation.

It was deemed best to wait before undertaking the building of a new Temple.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Brother A. Q. MOODY, his tenth, and in his usual way he presents interesting extracts from addresses and reports, stating many informing facts in his terse style, withholding comment with rare exceptions.

Under Connecticut, our Brother states that Brother HAVENS thinks "the doctrine of Perpetual Jurisdiction is right because it protects both Jurisdictions," and asks "But what protection has the applicant?" We venture to inquire "For what?" No one not a member of the Fraternity has any rights *so far as admission to the Fraternity is concerned*. No one asks a man to join the Fraternity; that he does of his free will and accord, and he must submit to the Ancient Usages and Customs.

Under Maryland, our Brother writes:

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"By resolution, Grand Master Orlady, of Pennsylvania, was made a Past Grand Master of Maryland.

"This is all very nice, and, no doubt, Brother Orlady deserved the honor, but the Grand Lodge of Maryland, through its Constitution, provides how its members shall

acquire the rank of Past Grand Master, and, by simple resolution, is surely not the way, either for its own members or the members of any other Jurisdiction."

It seems to us that the Brethren of Maryland were competent to decide what was the best way.

Under Mississippi, we quote:

"A decision was rendered that a bastard could not be made a Mason.

"This may be good law in Mississippi or Pennsylvania, but we do not believe that many Grand Lodges will endorse it. Some of the best men and women we have ever known were bastards, and it does not seem that they should suffer for the sins of their parents. They are not debarred from any privileges legal, social, or religious, and why should we, like the Pharisee of old, hug the delusion that we are better than other people?"

We hug no such delusions; we find certain restrictions in the Ancient Charges as to who may be admitted to the Fraternity, and endeavor to abide by them.

In his conclusion, Brother MOODY writes:

"Most Grand Lodges have declared, if an applicant can conform to the requirements of the ritual, he is eligible to the degrees, while Pennsylvania and perhaps a few others have decreed that a man, who otherwise might serve physically as a model for the Apollo Belvidere, if he has six toes on one foot, is unfit to be a Mason."

We refer our Brother to the twenty-first chapter of Leviticus at the seventeenth verse, where he will find the physical qualifications of the ancient priesthood, from which it is believed the qualifications for Masons were taken.



Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed and many interesting facts stated. Our Brother is very complimentary to this writer, and we forgive the wrong middle initial, having noted that in these Proceedings our dear Brother appears as "J. Q. Moody," and it would seem that some devil (printer's, of course), under the influence doubtless of "near-beer," had played with the types, having abbreviated our Brother's Committee to that on "Corresponce."

Number of Lodges, including 22 new ones, 600; initiated, not stated; total membership, 35,295, a gain of 2587.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE M. NAPIER, of Decatur, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. WOLIHIN, of Macon, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## IDAHO—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Idaho began its Forty-third Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Boise, on Tuesday, September 13, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, morning and afternoon sessions, with a closing evening session, being held.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE F. GAGON, Grand Master.

We are waiting for Brother KNEPPER to explain to us why it is necessary for the Master of a Lodge to ask permission of the *Grand Lodge* to open his own Lodge for the purpose of raising a candidate, but from his remark, under New Hampshire, "Now please, Brother CHENEY, tell us how *you* would do it," we fear no explanation will be forthcoming.

The address of the Grand Master is a business-like and practicable paper. He thinks the honor of Grand Representative is "so limited as to be practically imperceptible."

One of his decisions will not appeal to those who are very advanced in their views as to universal Masonry:

“ Q. Is a person who is a native of Persia, born of an Armenian mother and a Persian father, eligible to the degrees of Masonry?

“ A. Every Lodge in this Jurisdiction is the sole judge of who shall become its members. Under the conditions stated, I suggest that the petition be not received.”

He made but one recommendation: that Masters be required “to read, or cause to be read, the Code and Digest in full, once every year, in open Lodge.” The Committee on Jurisprudence advised that the Masters and Wardens, as well as all officers, read and study the law. There is merit in the Grand Master’s recommendation.

Grand Secretary RANDALL mentions among donations to their Library “Freemasonry in Pennsylvania 1781 to 1813, from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.”

In the report of the Grand Lecturer we note the following:

“After a careful consideration of the complex problem of the key and the Lecturer, I am but more firmly convinced that the key is an error and should be dispensed with.”

His report was referred to a special committee, a majority of whom favored his suggestions, but the minority report, favoring the keys, was adopted.

We also note that the Grand Lecturer was *not* re-elected.

The signet ring was duly transmitted to his successor by the retiring Grand Master.

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master is appropriately given as the frontispiece.

In his ninth annual report, the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, Brother GEORGE E. KNEPPER, gleans interesting matters for the delectation of his Brethren.

We may apply to himself his own words, "We would have been better pleased if he had put more of himself into his report." He is strongly in favor of ciphers, recurring to the subject frequently.

Under Massachusetts, our Brother writes:

"Grand Historian Brother Nickerson called the attention of the Grand Lodge to the latest effusion from Pennsylvania in its pretended claim to priority of chartered existence. It took four pages to state the substance of Brother Nickerson's remarks on the vital subject. He concludes thus: 'I shall hope after a more careful research to be able to locate this with other of their pretensions as having no more foundation than their previous claims.' It matters little to an outsider which is the older. They are both admittedly old, but a more important question, stated in the parlance of the day, 'Can they come back?'"

We should like to know just what "in the parlance of the day" "Can they come back?" may mean.

Our Brother says frankly of a report before him:

"The report was of little interest to us because Idaho was left out."

Our Brother believes in having his Grand Lodge Proceedings read under compulsion:

"Brother Niccol quotes our order for reading the proceedings in lodge and adds: 'And we wonder if this mandate is obeyed.' Of course it is obeyed, because it is but a reasonable requirement. Of course there were sixteen lodges in which the Secretaries failed to report readings of proceedings to the Grand Secretary, but it does not follow that they were not read.



“ Brother Niccol further says:

“ ‘ We would say to Idaho that if your lodges only read under compulsion, they are not likely to derive much benefit from the formula and it is indeed calculated to engender nausea.’ ”

“ With the above sentiment we are not in accord. We still believe in the old Irish school master, who stood before his class, a rod in one hand and a book in the other, and said to his pupils: ‘ Here’s your lesson and here’s the shtick—one of ’em ye’ll git.’ ”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well considered and summarized. Speaking of our Masonic Homes, our Brother says:

“ The price paid for this property is \$134,296.54 and we predict that one of the most elaborate Masonic Homes ever attempted will be fully realized by our brethren of the Keystone State. They lead in the Masonic Temples of the world and so will they do in the matter of Homes because they have the money and the intelligence to back it up.”

We quote again:

“ The retiring Grand Master as well as the Master-elect delivered appropriate addresses. Everything goes to show that Masonry is not only progressing but booming in this Jurisdiction.”

Our report is “ a valuable document.” Brother KNEPPER concludes:

“ This is our last review for the year and we regret the haste that seemed inevitable. We would be glad to tarry longer with this volume for we owe much to this Jurisdiction. If it hadn’t been for Pennsylvania we probably

would never have been born and we could then not align ourselves with the 'Pennsylvania Dutch,' as is now our privilege."

Number of Lodges, including 12 under dispensation, 55; initiated, 316; total membership, 3167, a gain of 426.

Most Worshipful Brother BYRON S. DEFENBACH, of Sand Point, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother THEOPHILUS W. RANDALL, of Boise, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois began its Seventy-second Annual Communication in Medinah Temple, in the City of Chicago, on Tuesday, October 10, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, morning sessions only being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ALBERT B. ASHLEY, Grand Master.

The annual report of the Grand Master, whose familiar features are reproduced in the frontispiece, shows another year of faithful, efficient labors. He reported the death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JOHN CORSON SMITH, and of Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Brother CHARLES FISHER, both natives of Pennsylvania. Brother SMITH was one of the best known American Masons, and his loss will be widely felt.

The Grand Master issued dispensations for no less than 20 new Lodges. It was his great pleasure and privilege to dedicate the new Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange. This and the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan are doing a splendid work. The picture of the new building is very attractive.

He reported his attendance at Alexandria, at the meeting of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, where

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we had the pleasure of meeting him, both having been elected Vice-Presidents. Our Brother favored having his Grand Lodge "appropriate a stipulated sum to be paid in annual instalments in such amounts as the Finance Committee may deem advisable, or appeal to the Lodges for contributions in such manner as may seem best to the Grand Master." He also recommended that towards the expenses \$100 be appropriated annually. The Committee on Finance reported and their report was adopted:

"While we appreciate the worthiness of the purpose and the fraternal and noble spirit which prompted the recommendation, yet the financial condition of the Grand Lodge at the present time is such that we feel compelled to recommend that no appropriation be made for this purpose at this time."

As Past Grand Master SCOTT later, in his Correspondence report, justly observes, under Massachusetts:

"It will require more than approval of principle and commendation of zeal to erect a national monument to Washington."

We quote Brother ASHLEY with pleasure on

### "MASONRY AND RELIGION.

"We often hear Masons say, 'Masonry is good enough religion for me,' or 'I want no better church than the Masonic lodge.'"

"Those who are constantly expressing themselves in this way are doing an unconscious injury to Masonry. Such expressions embitter good people who do not understand what Masonry really is. Every person has a right to his own religious convictions and opinions. Each is responsible to



the Supreme Power for his soul and to the people for his actions. Each is judged by his own acts and character. 'Masonry unites men of every country, sect and opinion and conciliates true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance.'

"Masonry interferes with no man's religion or beliefs. He is left entirely free from creeds or sectarian restrictions. He must believe in the existence of God and proclaim his trust in Him. Each Mason not only is free in the exercise of his own religious rights and opinions but he is strictly enjoined not to interfere with the religious views of others.

"If a man thinks that Masonry is good enough religion for him and lives a life in harmony with its professions he need not go about proclaiming it. In doing so he gives a bad impression of himself and falsifies the true attitude of Masonry. Some with a good opinion of the Ancient Craft will be unfavorably influenced and decline to knock at our doors for admission. I shall be glad to have brethren admonished not to say or do that which will bring Masonry in conflict with religion and the church.

"This subject is presented from observing the effect upon outsiders when over-ardent Masons are too zealous in our cause. Not being affiliated with any church nor claiming to be specially religious my suggestions cannot be construed as resulting from over zeal for the church and its cause. I merely have looked upon the effect and have made this recommendation for the best interest of Masonry."

Not being able to accept the invitation of Grand Master GUTHRIE to attend our 125th Anniversary in September, the Grand Master requested the Senior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother HENRY T. BURNAP, to represent him; Brother BURNAP was the first of the visitors the writer had the pleasure of meeting; from his report we quote:

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"I have the honor to report that I attended the various functions incident to the celebration which began on Sunday, the 24th, when the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the distinguished guests from other jurisdictions, assembled at the magnificent Masonic Temple at Broad and Filbert street, Philadelphia, and, under the direction of the Grand Marshal, formed in procession and escorted by the local lodges, proceeded to the historic Christ Church, where a beautiful and impressive religious service, especially prepared for the occasion, was held. A very eloquent and appropriate sermon was delivered by the Right Reverend James Henry Darlington, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Harrisburg, and Grand Chaplain.

"At 6 o'clock in the evening the representatives of the several Grand Lodges present and several distinguished Masons of Pennsylvania were entertained at dinner at the Hotel Bellevue Stratford as guests of R.W. Bro. George W. Guthrie, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

"At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday the 25th, the brethren again assembled at the Temple, representatives of the following Grand Lodges being present: Connecticut, District of Columbia, Indiana, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware, Washington, Michigan, and Illinois.

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"It became my duty as well as my pleasure, as your representative, to tender to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania your personal felicitation and the congratulations and fraternal greetings of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Illinois to which the Grand Master was pleased to respond in the most fraternal spirit.

"At the conclusion of the program, and after a brief intermission, the assembled brethren were invited to participate in an elaborate banquet which was served in the beautiful banquet room on the main floor. This room was



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exquisitely decorated with flowers, foliage and the Royal Purple of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Covers were laid for about five hundred persons and every seat was occupied. I enclose herewith a copy of the menu and musical program. Thus closed an interesting epoch in the history of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

“The visiting brethren were unanimous and profuse in their expressions of appreciation of the uniform courtesy and generous hospitality of the R.W. Grand Master, Bro. George W. Guthrie, and the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the constant and never failing attention of the committees who anticipated our every want and left no stone, not even the ‘Keystone’ itself, unturned to make the occasion one of supreme pleasure to every guest and reflect glory on the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

“In conclusion I desire to convey to you, M.W. Brother, my sincere and heartfelt thanks for, and expressions of my highest appreciation of the honor conferred in selecting me as your representative on this delightful and enjoyable occasion, bringing with it, as it did, the opportunity of meeting and cultivating the acquaintance of so many distinguished brethren of the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and their no less distinguished guests. I am pleased and proud to be the bearer of the kindest fraternal messages and personal greetings to yourself and M.W. Bro. A. H. Bell from the Grand Master of Pennsylvania and the representatives of other jurisdictions whom one, or both, of you have met at previous Masonic functions.”

On motion of our friend Past Grand Master BELL, whom many of our Brethren will recall with pleasure, a committee was appointed to consider and report upon the matter of procuring a permanent home for the Grand Lodge.

The Deputy Grand Master of Virginia, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. ANDREWS, and Past Grand Master WEBB, of Kansas, were welcome visitors.



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The amount so generously raised for the Cherry Mine sufferers, to which we referred last year, was directed to be returned, as the same was not needed.

The Grand Orator this year was Brother W. W. WILSON, and he received the thanks of the Brethren for his learned, eloquent, and instructive address.

The installation of the new Grand Master, a son of the late Past Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother ALEXANDER T. DARRAH, who was installed twenty-six years before, was a most interesting ceremony, and several impressive addresses were made.

The report on Masonic Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother OWEN SCOTT, his second, and a good one it is. In his introduction, he refers to the lamented death of our friend, Brother WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN, "the distinguished English author and historian." He also calls attention to large Lodges, mentioning, as the five largest in the United States, the following:

" Palestine—Detroit, Mich. ....	1,602
Garden City—Chicago, Ill. ....	1,438
Genessee Falls—Rochester, N. Y.....	1,396
Yomandia—Rochester, N. Y.....	1,277
Zion—Detroit, Mich. ....	1,259 "

Under California, we cordially agree:

"Certainly all can take off their hats to California in the volume of relief extended to 'a needy worthy brother' sojourning from afar."

In view of the cordial words of his Grand Master regarding the District Deputy Grand Masters, the following, under Canada, sounds odd:

"District deputy grand masters are installed as other officers. In Illinois you scarcely know that they are on

earth, except in purging the grand lodge and in passing the mileage and per diem orders."

Not having received the Proceedings in English of the Grand Lodge of Cuba, our Brother takes from our report for 1909 (not 1911, as the types make it) our review of that Jurisdiction.

We are amused, under England, at our Brother's solicitude for their Grand Master on account of his titles and "real name," Brother SCOTT explaining that "it takes most of his time to keep his titles on straight." We fancy that England's Grand Master has more to do with Masonic affairs than is generally supposed.

Our Brother approves of a second term for a Grand Master, saying justly under Georgia:

"He was not elected and the one term precedent has been set in Georgia. The wisdom of this course is doubtful. The great office is not established that brethren may be honored but that the craft may be served. That a second year is of greater use than the first is proven without argument. Experience is valuable."

We find our Brother impressed, as we have long been, with Iowa's poetic (and efficient) Grand Secretary:

"Grand Secretary PARVIN, in his report is long on poetry. One scarcely expects the sentimental turn in one charged with keeping the facts and figures of a great body in their prosaic places. The grand secretary's report gleams with poetic beauty on the slightest provocation. Perhaps he imbibes so much of the literary spirit as librarian that he makes his report a safety valve for the pent up stores of imaginative composition."

And under the same Jurisdiction, our Brother well says:

"The most serious offense of this correspondent [*i.e.*, Brother SCOTT] in the eyes of our Iowa brother is the ref-



erence to bodies based on masonry being accorded official recognition in grand lodge as they do in Iowa. In Illinois grand chapter, grand council, grand commandery and others allied with ancient craft masonry are not in any way higher bodies of masonry. Their members are all masons it is true. Would a body which would admit only Presbyterians be a higher order of Presbyterianism? Scarcely. It is quite possible for a grand lodge to have no quarrel with other bodies based on masonry, but respecting their good works and words, and yet not officially recognize them as masonic. They are bodies of masons but they are not masonic bodies. The Illinois correspondent is a member of all the so-called 'higher bodies' and has been for many years with full appreciation of their excellent teachings and doings. He has gone the full length of the road in both directions but has never seen any reason for ancient craft masonry to enter into any entangling alliances with chapter, council, commandery or consistory. The grand lodge has a great work of its own to do and has none too much time for its accomplishment."

Under Oklahoma, after quoting their declaration as to certain bodies in that State, our Brother says:

"Neither physician, wet-nurse nor god-father is mentioned. What business has a grand lodge of ancient, free and accepted masons attempting to fix the status of bodies and organizations wholly foreign to its obedience? Why not decide as to the regularity of the Improved Order of Red Men or the Knights of Pythias or the Modern Woodmen? A masonic grand lodge has just as much official knowledge and connection with the Elks as with the shrine, commandery or consistory. Many years ago an aged school teacher gave to his pupils this copy, 'A. T. STEWART got rich minding his own business.' Masons can learn a lesson here."



We agree, under Vermont:

“The Scottish Rite is all right in its own domain and for its purposes. It cannot, however, be the legitimate parent of ancient craft masonry. Its progeny is illegitimate and cannot be recognized by grand lodges which are careful to preserve the landmarks, usages and customs of the ancient craft.”

Pennsylvania for 1910 is excellently reviewed, though how our Brother makes the 1910 Annual Grand Communication our “134th Annual,” is not clear.

Our Brother writes:

“One of the most comfortable of volumes of proceedings is that of Pennsylvania. There are 489 pages. It is in such excellent type and with so liberal leading that it becomes the delight of the reader. The year showed a gain in membership of 4,314. In every way masonry in this old commonwealth presents evidences of progress.

“A fine engraving of the Masonic Temple at Philadelphia makes a handsome frontispiece. It was this beautiful structure that set Brother BELL’s teeth on edge for a home for the grand lodge of Illinois.”

And again:

“NO MYSTIC SHRINE FOR THEM.

“The committee on landmarks corresponds closely to our committee on jurisprudence. This committee reported ‘under the rules and regulations of the grand lodge and the decisions of grand masters, the grand master should refuse to sanction a lease of a portion of the building to the “Mystic Shrine”—the grand lodge having refused recognition to that order.’

“Why should the grand lodge be concerned about orders? If this rule is enforced it should bar the commandery and

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consistory as well as the shrine. None of these orders is masonic in any other sense than that eligibility for membership requires good standing in a lodge of masons."

Regarding our Masonic Homes, Brother SCOTT remarks:

"Though pretty late in beginning, it is very evident that Pennsylvania will soon be near the head of the class in caring for masonic dependents."

Grand Master GUTHRIE's address

"was strictly business. No efforts at flights of oratory were indulged. The Grand Master urged that officers of lodges be thoroughly instructed in the law as well as in the work. The Ahiman Rezon, corresponding to our 'blue book,' was to be made the man of their counsel."

Our report receives attention. Commenting upon our designation of those in our Masonic Homes as "guests," Brother SCOTT asks:

"Does not this imply a transient relation? They are merely visitors. If they are called 'members,' as we class them in Illinois, they are given an air of permanence. However, 'What's in a name?' Much oftentimes."

Number of Lodges, 786; initiated, 8932; total membership, 108,068, a gain of 5801.

Most Worshipful Brother DELMAR R. DARRAH, of Bloomington, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ISAAC CUTTER, of Camp Point, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## INDIANA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana began its Ninetieth Annual Meeting in the Masonic Temple in the City of Indianapolis, on Tuesday, May 23, A.D. 1911 (being the ninety-fourth year), and closed the following noon, two sessions and a banquet being held the first day.

Prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge, an address on "The Great Light in Masonry" was delivered before the Brethren by Brother CHARLES P. BENEDICT, which was of more than usual interest.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM RIDLEY, Grand Master.

In his address, the Grand Master fully reports his activities; he reported with delight that the year past had been the greatest in the history of the Grand Lodge in increase of numbers, yet he was assured that the high standard that Masonry insists upon had been maintained.

He recommended to the consideration of the Grand Lodge the Washington Masonic Memorial Association; this part of his address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which recommended (and its report was concurred in) that a special committee consider and report on the matter next year.

A graceful act was the tendering the use of the Grand Lodge Hall to the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which was to meet in Indianapolis during the year.

The receipts for the Masons', Widows' and Orphans' Home Fund increased during the year over \$13,000.

The Grand Master called attention to the amendment adopted in 1910 as follows:



“Provided, That the Grand Master may, with the consent of the Committee on Jurisprudence, allow Lodges to receive and ballot on petitions for membership of those who can, by the aid of artificial appliances, conform to the ceremonies of the Order.”

He also said:

“In a few instances these applications presented such extreme cases that one may well doubt the wisdom and propriety of the amendment.”

The matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which seemed to think the amendment was all right, and there were only needed some directions in the matter of procedure, the Committee saying:

“From a practical standpoint the amendment is not a departure. Your committee found that at times Lodges had elected to membership men whose physical disabilities prevented them from complying with the requirements of the Order, and this without even asking the consent of the Grand Master. It is the purpose of the amendment to stop this loose method of thus receiving maimed applicants, and by the amendment each Lodge must take notice that where there is any physical defect which prevents the candidate from conforming to the ceremonies of the Order without the aid of artificial appliances, it must obtain the permission of the Grand Master. This can be obtained only after the Committee on Jurisprudence has given its consent. As the committee is in session only during the Grand Lodge, it can consider these applications only in the full committee and at a time when it can consult with the Master of the Lodge making the request. The question is decided by the committee apart from any local influence and on the merits of each

individual case, after a most thorough investigation and after due deliberation. We deemed it fortunate that the Committee on Jurisprudence meets only during the Grand Lodge session and cannot act hastily on these applications."

A solitary Lodge entered a protest

"against the payment of 'Home Fund' assessment as an unwarranted and uncalled for assumption by the Grand Lodge and in violation of the cardinal tenet of 'relief' as taught by the Masonic Order; that it operates against local application of this tenet and works an injury to Subordinate Lodges in several localities."

No action was taken, upon the advice of the Committee having the Home Fund in charge, but later the following, after mentioning the protest, was adopted:

"WHEREAS, We believe the teachings and tenets of our Institution to mean something more than a 'sounding brass or tinkling cymbal'; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, That we, the members of this Grand Lodge, do hereby desire to register our dissent to said protest by the individual deposit of a metallic substance, the value of which will be what we can and do most cheerfully give, said deposit to be placed to the credit of the Masonic Home Fund."

The record tells that

"The resolution was adopted. Whereupon the hat was passed in the Grand Lodge, which resulted in donations of a 'metallic character' amounting to \$151.10."

Grand Secretary PRATHER received the thanks of his Grand Lodge for his admirable preparation and codification of the "General Regulations, etc."

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master, the record of whose election and installation is contained in these Proceedings, is fittingly given as the frontispiece.

"The Annual Review of the Proceedings of Masonic Grand Lodges of American and Foreign Jurisdictions" was prepared by the "Reviewer," Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother DANIEL McDONALD, his thirteenth.

In presenting his review, we are sorry to note that Past Grand Master McDONALD speaks of it as "probably his last review." We hope not. He is the Senior Past Grand Master.

In his beginning he says, "The whole theory and object of Masonry is a search after TRUTH." He also says:

"And so, extending to all my most distinguished consideration, and making my humblest bow, I take up the pen, pencil, scissors and paste-pot, hang my banner on the outward wall, and begin my work by making the following list of Proceedings now before me for review."

Under Canada, our Brother tells somewhat to our surprise:

"We have always been of the opinion that except in rare cases where special request has been made of the Master by the decedent, no Masonic funeral should be held."

We agree, under the District of Columbia:

"During our somewhat lengthy Masonic career, we have always contended in regard to this question, that there was absolutely no valid reason why a preacher should be received into the Masonic Fraternity without charge any more than any other man. When a candidate applies for admission into the Masonic Fraternity, all wealth, distinctions and titles which he may have are laid aside, and his fitness



for membership in the Order is determined by his character as a man in the community in which he lives, and not by any titles or distinction he may wear—in other words, it is the internal, and not the external qualifications that make him worthy to be made a Mason.”

Under Illinois (and elsewhere), we note an echo of our Brother's last report and are tempted to remark, “What is the Constitution among friends?”

“The Constitution [of Ohio] does not give the Grand Master of Ohio the right to ‘make Masons at sight,’ for the reason that the Grand Lodge had no authority to enact a provision of that kind. But that provision does not give him the power. It simply says he *has* the power to do so—but they failed to state where that power originated, or where a record of it could be found.”

We trust Grand Secretary EHLERS of New York will speak up for his Grand Lodge as to the “Ordered to be read in all the Lodges,” on the title page of his Proceedings, Brother McDONALD saying: “It is perfectly safe to say that not a single one will pay any attention to it.”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well summarized, our Brother beginning:

“The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, at its Quarterly and Annual Communications during the year 1909, is embellished with a fine steel engraving of the famous Masonic Temple at Philadelphia, and the photogravure of William Ball, Grand Master during the years 1761, 1782 and 1795. The temple at Philadelphia is admitted to be the finest piece of Masonic architecture in this country. There are many Masonic temples in this country which cost much more than the Philadelphia building, but there are none that can come up to it in architectural design and finish.”

A number of extracts are made from Grand Master ORLADY'S "long and interesting address," in which he gave "numerous and very interesting statistics which we are sure will be of general interest"; and Brother McDONALD states that Grand Master ORLADY "voices his sentiments" with regard to the improper use of the black ball. Our report is kindly referred to.

Number of Lodges, including six under dispensation, 542; initiated, 4137; total membership, 57,499, a gain of 2789.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM H. SWINTZ, of South Bend, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CALVIN W. PRATHER, of Indianapolis, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### IOWA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Iowa, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Sixty-eighth Annual Communication in Greene's Opera House, in the City of Cedar Rapids, on Tuesday, June 13, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, three morning and two afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother FREDERICK W. CRAIG, Grand Master.

In reading of the "Public Exercises Prior to Opening of Grand Lodge," we were in doubt as to where the Annual Communication was being held, until we came to the address of welcome, when we found that Cedar Rapids had the pleasure of entertaining the Grand Lodge.

The address of the Grand Master, whose engraved portrait forms the frontispiece, tells of an interesting year's service for the Grand Lodge. In one matter the Committee on Jurisprudence did not agree with him, namely, his suggestion of honorary membership in Lodges, the Committee holding that such membership would "be both illegal and



undesirable and should not be permitted," and Grand Lodge approved their report.

He commends the report of the Committee on Correspondence:

"Annually there is prepared for our information a Report on Fraternal Correspondence. That report has been prepared each year as the result of painstaking research and much labor. Great ability has been invariably shown by our committee and the preparation and publication of the report has cost much in time and effort. The report is able, instructive, and deeply interesting, and probably no one who reads it regrets its cost. It is a very important part of the Proceedings and by it we are enabled to enlighten ourselves as to what is being done in other jurisdictions.

"One splendid thing lies in a good Report on Fraternal Correspondence in this: That no good, live Mason can read it without giving more value to his Masonry and feeling proud of the great work which our institution is doing for the good of humanity. There is much matter of general Masonic interest presented, and taken as a whole it contains more real information than Masonic journals. The moral is, read the report; take the advance copy home, read it, let other brothers read it, read extracts from it to the lodge. All will get good from the report."

We fully agree with his words, under "For the Good of Lodges" (after speaking of the use of initials), "accuracy, dignity and propriety all demand that the first name should be used in full in Lodge records."

In his interesting report as Grand Secretary, Brother PARVIN recommends that Right Worshipful Brother W. J. CHETWODE CRAWLEY, LL.D., D.C.L., Grand Treasurer of Ireland, Brother JOHN T. THORP for years the Secretary, and now the Lodge Editor, of the Lodge of Research, No. 2429, of Leicester, England, and Brother HENRY SADLER,



for years Sub-Librarian of the Grand Lodge of England, be made honorary members of the Grand Lodge of Iowa with the rank and title of Past Senior Grand Warden, and we are glad to see they were duly honored.

As Grand Librarian, Brother PARVIN gives another of his interesting papers. He feels that time has justified his urging the purchase of additional land next to the Library in Cedar Rapids, and on his recommendation the matter of a stack room will be reported on next year.

A special Committee on Recognition of Grand Bodies, appointed by the Grand Master, presented a very interesting report, from which we quote:

“With this conclusion as to the effect of a recognition, that is, that it is an acknowledgment of legitimacy in organization, we come to the much mooted question of what is legitimate in Grand Lodge organization?

“Different claims on the subject are: First, that as the Grand Lodge of England was the first organized Grand Lodge of the world and came into being by the joint action of four subordinate lodges of the realm in 1717, and most of the Grand Lodges of the world are its direct or indirect descendants, tracing their title thereto, no Grand Lodge springing from any other source is legitimate. Second, in some of the countries, what is known as the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and Grand Orient, have exercised jurisdiction over the three symbolic degrees, Entered Apprentice, Fellow-Craft, and Master Mason, and subordinate and Grand Lodges have been organized by their authority; and there is a claim that where these rites are dominant, lodges so organized, are legitimate. In this connection the ‘Universality of Masonry’ is a much used and much abused expression. No intelligent Mason can claim that, in point of membership, Masonry is universal. The universality of Masonry was taught when Masons were to be found on but a small fraction of the

globe; but then, as now, Masonry was universal in the comprehensive sense of its spirit, teachings, influence, and adaptation to the needs of all mankind. Like the spirit of religious liberty and practice, it is world wide, and while its membership may be circumscribed, its teachings and influence are not.

“Referring to the claim that Supreme Councils and Grand Orients possess authority and jurisdiction over Symbolic Masonry to the extent of granting charters for lodge organization, we meet the significant query, From what source came such authority? We confidently assert that in a legal and fraternal sense they are foreign bodies. They did not spring from Symbolic Masonry, as organized bodies, but came into being in ways that we need not consider, as we would be traveling through a maze of disputes and doubts, unprofitable and unimportant for our present purpose.

“We may state, as an axiom of Symbolic Masonic law, that Symbolic Masonry, in its organizations and workings, is a law unto itself, in that it looks to no higher or foreign fraternal source for authority, sanction, or guidance, but is the creative power within itself of all needful agencies, and to this end the subordinate lodge is the primal source of authority and the only source from which can spring a legitimate Grand Lodge, and hence the legitimacy of a Grand Lodge depends, in the first instance, on the legitimacy of the lodges that gave it birth, and, of course, in addition thereto, it must meet the limitations and requirements of the ancient landmarks of the order.”

The following recommendations were offered at the end of the report and adopted:

“*First.* That it is the judgment and conclusion of this Grand Lodge that Grand Lodge authority and legitimacy is derived from the consent and action of subordinate lodges.



*“Second.* That the legitimacy of a subordinate lodge depends upon its being able to trace its lineage from the parent Grand Lodge of England or the British Isles.”

A third recommendation for the appointment of a permanent Committee on Recognition was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Library begins with this bold statement:

“Every Iowa Mason must feel a just pride in the knowledge of the fact that the Library of the Grand Lodge of Iowa stands to-day without a peer.”

We are reminded of the words of a beloved great-aunt, who used to reply to the boasting words of our youthful days: “Strong words off a weak stomach!” We may add “Where ignorance is bliss, ’tis folly to be wise.”

In these Proceedings, in addition to the portraits of the two deceased Grand Masters, and an Honorary member of the Grand Lodge, our friend the late Brother WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN, of England, are given the portraits of four Grand Secretaries, who died during the year: Brothers BARRON of California, NOTEWARE of Nevada, ISAAC of Maryland, and SPEED of Mississippi.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by Right Worshipful Past Senior Grand Warden Brother LOUIS BLOCK, who was by the vote of his Brethren called to the highest Station in their gift, that of Grand Master of Masons in Iowa; we congratulate him.

This third report is as interesting, forceful, and breezy as its predecessors. In his “Proem,” he graphically states “it were easier to make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear than to write a Report on Foreign Correspondence that would satisfy all readers.”

He says further:

“If a Report on Foreign Correspondence consists largely of the writer’s own composition, then he is accused of having



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fallen in love with the glamor of his own ideas and of being possessed with an overweening desire that these should illuminate the darkened intellects of his less fortunate brethren. On the other hand, should his report consist largely of extracts and quotations, then he is charged with being a Knight of the Scissors and Paste-pot and of attempting to stuff his Report with the sayings of others, either because he was too lazy to write out thoughts of his own, or had none such to write. So that, after all is said and done, it doth remind us of the utterance of our Celtic brother who, in a similar situation, was heard to observe: 'Ye are dommed if you do, ye are dommed if you don't, and Oi'll be dommed if ye ain't dommed anyhow.' All of which leads us to inquire why do we have such a thing as a Report on Foreign Correspondence in our Grand Lodge Proceedings, and why is that report published in the printed annals of those Proceedings."

and also:

"As we conceive of it, the Report on Foreign Correspondence was designed to serve as a sort of post-graduate course in a school of Masonry of which the writers of the round table form the faculty. Its purpose is to give the Mason of one locality and one state accurate information as to the achievements and accomplishments of Masonry in other states and localities, and to show him what the Masonic institution stands for in the world at large."

Our Brother is very positive in his views, but we question the following:

"A lodge cannot attend a church without thereby voicing its public approval of that church, and by belonging to a lodge a brother is held to approve of the things of which his lodge approves and if he does not believe in that church he is

thereby put in a false public position, and this is true even though he does not join in the procession, but stays at home."

We trust all Masons approve churches, but that general approval does not carry approval of all their particular views.

Our Brother appears to be animated by the proper *spirit* when, under Georgia, after quoting Brother MOODY's remark that "Brother Block has easily placed himself in the front rank of Masonic writers," he adds:

"If we were down in 'Gawgia' that might cost us the price of a few mint juleps. Nothing else would do, seeing that all of the near-beer emporiums have been fired afar from Georgia."

Several times our Brother refers to the "shutting out of the man with the wooden leg while it lets in the fool with the wooden head." Our view is that *both* should be kept out of the Fraternity.

Our Brother is of an artistic temperament, saying under Montana:

"There are those who think that everything connected with the blue lodge should be made as blue as possible, but blue is not a very warm and attractive color, at best, and unless it is softened and blended artistically with other shades, it is pretty sure to give us the 'blues.'"

"About one-tenth of the Proceedings which we review come to us clothed in this garb, and we always try to get through them as quickly as possible, or at least get the book open in a hurry, so that the inner light of its contents may dispel the gloom engendered by the cover."

He thinks the "Grand Representative system" is a "splendid nuisance," and quotes the address of Grand Master SAWYER of New York on the subject, as a most

convincing argument "and amply justifies the action of Iowa in refusing to have anything to do with it." Pennsylvania is with Iowa in this.

As there are still a good many "moon Lodges" in Pennsylvania, as the late Past Grand Master HENDERSON called them, we quote Brother BLOCK:

"If the moon were not such a fickle, irregular, and unstable creature, when it comes to keeping dates, it would not be so bad, but for a Masonic lodge which poses as the very symbol and ideal of regularity to govern itself by her unstable curves, is something bordering on the ridiculous."

Pennsylvania for 1910 is carefully reviewed. Our Brother writes:

"As a fine piece of book work, this volume easily outranks all of the others that we have reviewed. The paper and printing are of the very best quality, the illustrative plates are steel engraved, and the whole production most attractive.

"The first picture is again that of the temple of Philadelphia. Even as all good Moslems turn their faces toward the Kaaba at Mecca when they pray, so all good Pennsylvania Masons turn their eyes toward the temple of Philadelphia in their periods of exaltation.

"The second engraving is that of Grand Master George W. Guthrie, and sets forth the picture of one who appears to be, every inch of him, a polished and distinguished gentleman."

Extracts are made from the reports of the Committee on Library and on Masonic Homes, and a generous quotation from the address of Brother BARRATT in accepting the WASHINGTON painting. Unfortunately our friend Judge BARRATT depended too much upon "authorities" which failed to be reliable authorities, and for "the truth of history," of which the late Brother DRUMMOND was so fond,



it may be well to speak of several errors. Passing over a number of inaccuracies in dates, it should be pointed out that Brother Dr. ELISHA CULLEN DICK did *not* "serve as Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge from December 27, 1787, to April 28, 1788, when Brother WASHINGTON became Worshipful Master" for the all-sufficient reason that Brother WASHINGTON did not become Master on April 28, 1788.

It is undoubtedly true that the warrant or charter of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22 on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Virginia (formerly No. 39 on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania) is *dated* April 28, 1788; that WASHINGTON is named in the warrant as the first of the *four* officers named therein; and that the records of Alexandria Lodge show that in December, 1788, WASHINGTON was elected Master; hence, the inference is naturally, but *incorrectly*, made, that WASHINGTON served as Master of Lodge No. 22 from April 28, 1788, until December 27, 1789.

In view of the oft-repeated misstatement as to the time WASHINGTON served as Master of Alexandria Lodge, it may be well to explain just what did happen. We may say that our information was obtained by a visit to Alexandria, and by personal examination of the old minute books of the Lodge.

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, which had warranted Alexandria Lodge, No. 39, having closed forever on Monday, September 25, 1786, and the present Grand Lodge having been duly opened the same day, it became necessary for the Lodges under its jurisdiction to take out new warrants.

Lodge No. 39, having received notice to that effect, and having heard that there was a Grand Lodge at Richmond in their own State, decided to make inquiries as to the regularity of the Richmond Grand Lodge and its terms for a charter. Being in Richmond (it was a long journey in those

days to go there from Alexandria), Brother WILLIAM HUNTER, a member of No. 39, visited the Grand Lodge of Virginia, at its "grand half yearly stated Communication," held on April 28, 1788, and, knowing the feeling of his Brethren, applied for a charter, which that day was granted, as the minutes of the Grand Lodge show.

On Brother HUNTER's return, he evidently told what he had done; for, at the next meeting of the Lodge, on May 29, it did four things: first, it voted unanimously to apply for a charter to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, of whose regularity the Brethren had been satisfied; secondly, it thanked Brother HUNTER for his "attention paid to the interest of the Lodge in applying for a charter to the Grand Lodge of Virginia;" thirdly, it "proceeded to the appointment of Master and Deputy Master to be recommended to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, when GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq., was unanimously chosen Master, ROBERT MCCREA, Deputy Master, WM. HUNTER, Jun. Senior Warden and JNO. ALLISON Junior Warden;" and, fourthly, it appointed two committees (Brother HUNTER being on both), one to "wait on General WASHINGTON and inquire whether it will be agreeable to him to be named in the charter," and one to apply to the Grand Lodge at Richmond for the charter.

Nothing seems to have been done during the summer except to obtain WASHINGTON's consent; but, at the meeting held October 25, a committee was again appointed to make application for the charter, "agreeable to the former order of this Lodge," and immediately following the minutes of the next meeting, on November 22, is recorded a copy of the application, in which is the following:

"The Brethren of Lodge No. 39, Ancient York Masons . . . under a warrant from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania . . . have at sundry preceding meetings resolved to ask our honorable society for a new warrant, which has already



been communicated to you by letter, and also by our Brother Hunter personally, who hath obtained an entry of this Lodge on your minutes. . . .

“It is also the earnest desire of the members of this Lodge that Brother George Washington, Esq., should be named in the charter as Master of the Lodge.” .

At the regular meeting in December, the time of the annual election, the new charter had not arrived; and, accordingly, Lodge No. 39, as its minutes show, held its election, and it not being then the custom in Pennsylvania to choose a Deputy Master (the early records of Lodges Nos. 1 and 2, warranted in Philadelphia in 1758, tell us that they had Deputy Masters in the first two or three years of their existence), the minutes show: “His Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, unanimously elected Master, ROBERT MCCREA Senior Warden,” etc.

(The writer was the first one, it is believed, to point out that WASHINGTON was elected Master of Alexandria Lodge while it was at least nominally under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and hence he was a member, at least nominally, of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.)

Before the Lodge closed, it was resolved that the Brethren should dine together on the 27th (St. John the Evangelist's Day), and that “his Excellency General WASHINGTON be invited,” but that Brother did not attend, his diary showing that he was at home all day.

The last meeting of Lodge No. 39, Pennsylvania, was held on January 20, 1789, and the first of Lodge No. 22, Virginia, on February 21, 1789, by which time the charter, which was issued *as of* April 28, 1788, had arrived, as the minutes show. The charter, which was signed by EDMUND RANDOLPH, who was Governor, as well as Grand Master, of Virginia, names “our illustrious and well beloved Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON Esquire, late general and commander-



in-chief of the forces of the United States," and the three other Brethren recommended by the Lodge.

It may be well to point out that the fact that a Deputy Master was selected, something not done in Virginia before or since, as Grand Secretary CARRINGTON, of Virginia, informed the writer, shows that WASHINGTON was not expected to attend meetings regularly.

Contemporary records show that Dr. DICK walked beside WASHINGTON in the procession on September 18, 1793, with the Grand Sword Bearer behind them, as we have pointed out in this report, under Kansas.

A number of Grand Master GUTHRIE's decisions call forth our Brother's criticism, and our report receives kindly notice. Our fear is, we may say to Brother BLOCK, that too much reliance will be placed upon the documentary evidence of good standing, so that the oral examination may not be as thorough as it should be.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 521; initiated, 3022; total membership, 44,399, a gain of 1787.

Most Worshipful Brother LOUIS BLOCK, of Davenport, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother NEWTON R. PARVIN, of Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## IRELAND—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland held a Stated Communication in Dublin, "on St. John's Day, December, 1910," when the Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother SIR JAMES CREED MEREDITH, LL.D., delivered his address, in which, first of all, he referred to the death of King EDWARD VII, who had been Patron of the Grand Lodge of Ireland since 1871.

During the year, six warrants had been granted (two in South Africa); we quote:

“In connection with one of them it was a very remarkable thing that the application for the Warrant was signed by twenty-nine Brethren, all of them holding Orders as Ministers of the Presbyterian Church in this country. It is a very pleasant thing to see a number of clergymen coming forward to take part with us, and to still further spread the light of Masonry by holding a Lodge of their own in the District of Ballymacarrett, but in connection with that Lodge there is one very sad thought. In that terrible fire which took place in Belfast some months ago, one of the Brethren who applied for that Warrant—our Brother the Rev. W. J. McCaughan—and his wife both lost their lives.”

Brother MEREDITH, under “Ancient Masonic History,” writes:

“Now, Brethren, I want you all to think of, and to read a very interesting paper which was written by our Brother the Grand Treasurer and published in the proceedings of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge—that is a paper on ‘The Craft and its Orphans in the 18th Century.’ It is well worth your reading, and I am quite sure that when you do read it you will remember it is written by one who allows no statement to go from his pen that he is not thoroughly able to prove up to the very hilt.”

We had the pleasure of receiving a copy of his valuable paper from our friend the Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM JOHN CHETWODE CRAWLEY, LL.D., D.C.L.

The Deputy Grand Master mentioned a curious case:

“There was only one case, Brethren, as well as I remember, during the past year in which we had to inflict the

serious punishment of suspending the Warrant of the Lodge, but we did so in the case of a Lodge in South Africa. We suspended their Warrant for three months, which I think was a very moderate punishment to inflict upon Brethren who were so ill-instructed in the rules of our Order that they actually conferred the third degree upon a member who had only received the first, and on a subsequent occasion proceeded to confer the second degree upon him."

The Deputy Grand Master, who has been an officer of the Grand Lodge for thirty-three years (for more than thirteen of which he was the Deputy Grand Master), intimated that he would very shortly ask to be relieved of his responsibility.

No report or Committee on Correspondence.

Most Worshipful Brother His Grace the DUKE OF ABERCORN, K.G., of Dublin, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother the Right Honorable LORD PLUNKET, G.C.M.G., of Dublin, Grand Secretary.

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### KANSAS—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas began its Fifty-fifth Annual Communication in the Scottish Rite Temple, in the City of Kansas City, on Wednesday, February 15, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother MARION K. BRUNDAGE, Grand Master.

Immediately after the opening, a deputation from Missouri, consisting of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother CLAY C. BIGGER, five Past Grand Masters, and five other Grand Lodge officers, was received, and duly welcomed, when Past Grand Master ALLEN gave an illustrated address on the Missouri Masonic Home.



The interesting address of the Grand Master shows an optimistic Brother. We quote:

“ The history of those earlier days is too well known and the great strides of development too recent to warrant a review here, but the sentiment suggested by this mere reference to them leads us to assert that the world is progressing and growing better day by day, regardless of the wail of a few unfortunate pessimists and those of doubtful digestion. In honor and character men are growing in stature and the girth of their generosity and charity, in thought as well as in deed, is expanding; fear and doubt are fast being supplanted by a wholesome self-mastery, self-confidence and an unfaltering faith; the body politic is being purified and a higher standard is being demanded in all business, both public and private; noble men and women are giving the best of their rich endowment of mind and heart for the improvement of social conditions; unlimited wealth is being donated for great charities, for the advancement of science, and for the establishment of peace, industrially and between nations, while ever multiplying associations and societies throughout the broad land are doing heroic work in reclaiming the less fortunate and providing for them opportunities to become useful members of society. All these, and more, speak in thunderous tones of the great uplift and the world's progress towards better things, else life is a lie and the generous impulses of the human heart a deception.”

The Grand Master reported the death of two Past Grand Masters: Most Worshipful Brothers SAMUEL R. PETERS and JOHN C. POSTLETHWAITE, the latter of whom was born in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. In his early years, he attended the public schools of Mount Union, but when only twelve years of age he had to leave school, and he began work as a water-boy and time-keeper for the Pennsylvania Canal Company; two years later, he entered the machine

shops of the Company at Harrisburg as an apprentice. Subsequently, he was employed in a general merchandise store, where he obtained a good business education. In 1869, he went to Kansas, and in 1878 opened a law office, and acquired a large and remunerative practice.

The Grand Master reports "No one question has been of such concern or the cause of so much correspondence on the part of the Grand Master as the official ciphers."

We recommend the abolishment of official ciphers; that will remove trouble; then let our Kansas Brethren revert to the old "mouth to ear" method of transmitting the work.

The Grand Master, without recommending the commitment of the Grand Lodge to the details of the Washington Memorial Association, which he had outlined, believed the general proposition worthy of consideration, and suggested that the Grand Lodge be represented at the meeting on February 22, 1911; and, later, the Grand Master was authorized, either in person or by proxy, to attend, and report in full detail concerning the purposes and plans of the association and the attitude and action of other Jurisdictions regarding the same, and his opinion of the desirability of their Grand Lodge assuming a responsible part in the enterprise.

In his report as Librarian, Grand Secretary WILSON acknowledges the donation of "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907, vol. 2."

On the second morning, the oration was delivered by the Grand Orator, Brother the Honorable SILAS W. PORTER, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Kansas, who took as his theme "The Mason as a Citizen." The oration is interesting, the principal point that he wished to impress being the fact that "Masonry has always been compatible with every form of civic government."

We quote:

"It is far from my purpose, however, to enter upon a discussion of the origin of Freemasonry. I have never wor-



ried greatly over the question whether SOLOMON knew as much about Speculative Masonry as he did about Operative Masonry. It is enough for me to know that my father was Master of his lodge, and that back in Pennsylvania two farmers, who were neighbors and friends, one of whom was my paternal and the other my maternal grandfather, were each Master at different times of their lodge, and that a few years ago there hung upon the wall of their old lodge room a framed resolution signed by a committee of which they were both members, adopted by the lodge upon the death of WASHINGTON. Masonry is ancient enough for me when it goes back that far; and one of the reasons why I like to attend the meetings of the Blue Lodge is because I have been led to believe that it is opened and closed and conducted, substantially at least, in the same form as in the days when my forbears were Masons."

We were very much surprised to come upon the following sentences:

"WASHINGTON is one of the few men who was made a Master Mason before he reached his majority, and it is an historical fact that he was initiated twice, once by members of the Order who were officers of the French and Indian War, and some question arising as to their authority or jurisdiction, he was initiated a second time. The celebrated JOHN RANDOLPH of Roanoke resigned as Master of Alexandria Lodge in order that WASHINGTON might be made Master of the Lodge, and in that capacity act in laying the cornerstone of the Federal Capitol at Washington."

Of course, when a Justice of the highest Court of Appeal of a great State, in addressing a body of over 700 of the most intelligent citizens of that State, asserts without qualification that something is "an historical fact," it seems presumption on the part of a mere member of the Bar to



venture even to suggest that he, like the Brethren from Missouri, would like to be "shown"; but from certain other "historical facts," which are established by contemporary records, we are of the opinion that the afore quoted statements should be regarded as "*obiter dicta*" (particularly "*obiter*"), until the same may be substantiated.

The family Bible and the records of the Lodge at Fredericksburg, Virginia, seem to establish these facts: that WASHINGTON was born February 11, 1732 (O. S.); that WASHINGTON was made an Entered Apprentice Mason on November 4, 1752 (N. S.), more than three months *before* he was twenty-one years of age; that he was "passed a Fellow Craft" on March 3, 1753, and "raised Master Mason," on August 4, 1753, *after* he was of age. (It may be said that WASHINGTON's being entered, but *not* passed and raised, before he was of age, was in harmony with the regulation of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, from which various authorities think the Lodge at Fredericksburg derived its authority. We may say also that a similar regulation was in force in Pennsylvania at that general period.)

We believe there is general agreement among historians that the French and Indian War did not break out until 1754.

The records of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, show that Dr. ELISHA C. DICK was elected its Master in December, 1789, and he served until December, 1795.

HENRY ADAMS, in his biography of JOHN RANDOLPH, of Roanoke, tells us that RANDOLPH was born at Cawsons, in Virginia, on June 2, 1773 (so that on September 18, 1793, when the cornerstone was laid at Washington, he was not of age), and that in 1790, when the seat of the National administration was transferred to Philadelphia, JOHN RANDOLPH left Columbia College and went to study law in Philadelphia under his relative EDMUND RANDOLPH, Attorney General of the United States (who as Grand Master of

Virginia had signed the warrant or charter of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, granted in 1788), and that, excepting for occasional visits to Virginia, and for interruption by yellow fever, he remained in Philadelphia until 1794.

Under all the circumstances, it is difficult to see how JOHN RANDOLPH could have been "Master of Alexandria Lodge" in 1793.

Contemporary accounts tell us that the Master of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, Dr. DICK, walked on the right of WASHINGTON in the procession at the laying of the cornerstone of the Capitol, while the Acting Grand Master of Maryland, Right Worshipful Brother JOSEPH CLARKE, walked on his left.

It would be interesting to know on what theory the Master of a *Virginia* Lodge should officially be called on to lay a cornerstone on ground that was, until ceded to the National government, under the authority of the Grand Lodge of *Maryland*.

We very much hope that Brother MILLER in his next report will get from Brother Justice PORTER the authorities for the latter's very remarkable statements we have quoted, as we are sure they will be of interest to the Craft.

Fraternal relations were continued with that portion of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico which is now the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

Our departed Brother Past Grand Master DICK is still continued in their list as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania near the Grand Lodge of Kansas, although, as we have before pointed out, Brother DICK died in 1907.

The report of Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MATTHEW M. MILLER, his ninth, although not in consecutive years, his first having been in 1894, when it was reviewed by our Past Grand Master VAUX in his last report.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

We are glad to have our Brother's portrait and a sketch of his life, which tells us he is a Yale man, though his enlistment in the United States Army in the fall of 1861 prevented his graduation.

In his introduction, our Brother says:

"All this time we have not concerned ourselves in the least as to knowledge of our foreign brethren, to say nothing of fellowship or communion with them.

"They are our brothers; we have been indifferent, or perhaps slow, in acknowledging it. Perhaps it is not all our fault—perhaps it is all our fault. Whether it is or not, it is our duty to find out what the hindrance is to perfect communion and remove it as speedily as possible. We can safely start with the premise that with a few exceptions—now cut out of consideration—we are practically agreed on the great essentials of Masonry. Let us get together on this basis, and from this point of vantage rise to a more perfect agreement upon questions of jurisdictional, lodge or individual recognition. With all the squabbling over rites and forms and methods of procedure, on one thing there should be a speedy agreement; that is, that one be accorded a brother's right when he has established to our satisfaction his claim of right, whether our respective jurisdictions have then solved to their own satisfaction their mutual rights to recognition or not."

We cannot agree with our Brother; many of those who claim to be our Brothers have no idea or real conception of what Freemasonry really is. We fear the ideal of the universality of Masonry is leading him too far afield.

We note in his first review (Alabama), our good Brother says:

"The wholesale recognition business by Louisiana came near taking Bro. Titcomb's breath away, as it might well do.



We have not investigated or learned the claims of some of them, but the more we investigate the question the more fixed becomes our conviction that any body or bodies that surrender any portion of its or their sovereignty to another or intermediate body, thereby fails or fail to qualify fully to the requirement of absolute sovereignty which we consider essential to recognition."

Just how recognition can be given to Brethren hailing from Jurisdictions which are not sovereign, is not clear. Lest it be said that Brethren hailing from District Grand Lodges are recognized, it is sufficient to reply that the District Grand Lodges are subordinate to Grand Lodges which we recognize as Sovereign Grand Lodges, and hence recognition is given to their Brethren, while at the same time we do not recognize the District Grand Lodges because they are not and do not pretend to be *sovereign* bodies.

Under Minnesota, our Brethren will be interested:

"We notice our Minnesota brethren start to housekeeping in the new Temple with a new United States flag. No other flag ever had as clear a title to masonic ancestry. Masons were foremost in the steps that led to the American Revolution. COXE, who suggested and advocated the Union of the Colonies; FRANKLIN, who supported it; WARREN, FANEUIL, REVERE, JOHN ADAMS, who anticipated Concord, Lexington and Bunker Hill; Old St. Andrews Lodge, whose regular meetings once closed, then became a patriotic organization, where they sang—

' Rally, Mohawks; bring out your axes,  
And tell King GEORGE we'll pay no taxes  
On his foreign tea; etc.'

WASHINGTON, who ordered the first flag made; PAUL JONES, who first raised it over an American ship and whose

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glorious career under the flag has never been eclipsed—all of these were Masons, and paved the way for the evolution of the flag and nation. It should be the proudest boast of Amercian Masons that their forbears in Masonry in the Colonies contributed so much to the growth and development of the spirit of patriotism, and so much of life, blood and valor that gave to us a country and a flag.”

Brother MILLER is not in favor of the requirement in the Ancient Charges that one to be made a Mason must be “descended of honest parents,” and we do not agree with him.

Our Brother begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1909 (although it is stated to be 1910), as follows:

“As usual, when we approach consideration of the Pennsylvania volume, we are staggered by the immense proportions of the—we were going to say job—proposed tackle; we cannot say job, because neither space nor consideration for one’s family permits a proper literary digest of the mass of material presented. At the best it must be a ‘touch and go.’ ”

Our Proceedings are excellently and quite fully summarized, and the addresses of Grand Masters ORLADY and GUTHRIE and the report on Correspondence noted kindly. We may add that it would have been more pleasing if our middle initial had been given all four times correctly in place of once, we much preferring our “M.”

Number of Lodges, including four new ones, 394; initiated, 2853; total membership, 35,496, a gain of 1839.

Most Worshipful Brother ALEXANDER A. SHARP, of Topeka, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALBERT K. WILSON, of Topeka, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## KENTUCKY—1910-1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Tenth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple in the City of Louisville, on Tuesday, October 18, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, three morning and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN H. COWLES, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, who, we infer from his address, is the editor of the Masonic Home Journal (not the "Ladies") and from a resolution adopted about him, in which the words "earnestly hoping that he may be born again into connubial felicity in securing a worthy, congenial companion to share his bliss," we also infer he is about to disregard the celebrated advice of Mr. PUNCH as to matrimony, is a well-prepared paper.

We note that he wisely refused a dispensation to a Lodge "to hold an all-day session for a literary entertainment in conjunction with the Order of the Eastern Star." Although he recommended that the name "Masonic" be permitted to be used in connection with a new Hospital in Louisville, we think the Committee on Jurisprudence rightly disapproved.

We confess we should read with regret the following in connection with any Masonic Temple anywhere:

"Better shows are promised, and I hope and believe that the Masonic will be made the first-class theatre of this city."

The Grand Master attended the meeting at Alexandria, Virginia, in February, 1910, when the Washington Masonic Memorial Association was formed, and he recommended full endorsement of the project, and that the Grand Lodge make a suitable donation, and that each Lodge and individual



Brother be urged to contribute if able. The Committee on Finance, whose report was adopted, reported:

“ This project should not only receive our hearty approbation but our substantial assistance, and we commend it to the subordinate lodges and individual members as deserving their generous support. If the financial condition of this Grand Lodge permitted we would recommend a liberal subscription, and we are confident at some future time this Grand Lodge will co-operate with other Grand Jurisdictions in the effort to do this tardy justice to the memory of this illustrious Mason.”

Hereafter the address of the Grand Master and the report of the Grand Secretary are to be in print when the Grand Lodge is opened, “ to the end that the representatives may familiarize themselves with the same early in the session, and that the valuable time now consumed in the delivery of the one and the reading of the other may be given to the consideration of other important matters.”!

We are sorry for our Most Worshipful Brother of Kentucky; we quote from the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence:

“ It is a well known fact in the Grand Lodge of Kentucky that the powers of the Grand Master himself are at all times limited by the Constitution and the Grand Master has properly recognized that fact in the above decisions.”

It is sad to see that two representatives had appeared in an intoxicated condition; from one, who was brought before the Grand Lodge, his badge was removed in the presence of the Grand Lodge, and both were suspended from office. Further action was referred to the incoming Grand Master.

From a special report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges (or Correspondence) we quote with approval the following:

“Your Committee is of the opinion that certain facts should be affirmatively established as conditions precedent to recognition. Among these are: That the Grand Lodge seeking recognition should require on the part of candidates seeking admission to the Order through the lodges of its jurisdiction the declaration of a belief in God, that it recognizes and adheres to the ancient charges and regulations as declared by the Grand Lodge of England in 1717 and 1722; that not less than three chartered lodges united in forming such Grand Lodge; and that it, the Grand Lodge seeking recognition, is a sovereign body acknowledging the suzerainty of no other body. The absence of irrefragible evidence on these points, at least, is, in the opinion of your Committee, fatal to a request for recognition.”

As our friend Past Grand Master THOMAS was the installing Grand Master, we feel sure the work was impressively done.

As these Proceedings record the election and installation of a new Grand Master, his portrait fittingly forms the frontispiece.

The report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Lodges is by the Reviewer, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM W. CLARKE, who had gleaned industriously many matters of interest for his Brethren.

Under Colorado, he tells us that in Kentucky they “have prosperous Lodges where there are no towns at all,” adding that he was “made a Mason in a Lodge whose Lodge room was over a country church.”

Referring to the Philadelphia Conference he says, under Florida:

“We are strongly of the opinion that uniformity in laws is of greater importance than uniformity in work, and the recommendations of this conference might form a workable basis to this end.”



Under Iowa, commenting upon Brother BLOCK's introduction, our Brother says:

"Our dear brother will, we trust, pardon one observation on his slightly mixed metaphor. A kingdom might be the possession of a Knight, but not as Knight. And, again, one William Shakespeare, were he alive might take exception to a mere knight appropriating King Richard's frenzied exclamation, while the aforesaid king himself, were he alive, might and probably would, interpose an objection to being called simply a knight. Richard, if we remember aright, was rather a strenuous character in his day; quite as much so, in fact, as a certain brother whose familiar name commences with the same letter."

In one thing we are disappointed. We had referred to the resolution about the sun setting in the West, and, under South Australia, our Brother made a conditional promise, which unfortunately he forgot:

"We have heretofore several times explained Brother Holland's resolution. We will say here that a full explanation and elucidation will be found in the conclusion to this report, if we do not forget it; and we are not very apt to do that, as it seems to be referred to in every report on Correspondence that we read."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed. Grand Master OR-LADY's address is "a comprehensive résumé of his official acts, and aside from its interest to the Craft of Pennsylvania, contains much that is of general interest."

One of our Grand Master's decisions does not meet with our Brother's approval. We may suggest that when our Grand Master made the decision, he was informed on the subject better than our Brother or this writer.



The remarks of Grand Chaplain KRAUSKOPF regarding the ancient Scroll of the Law, which was presented by Brother WANAMAKER, were considered of such interest, that they are quoted in full.

Our report is mentioned, and this partial explanation is given as to the resolution about the sun setting in the West:

“It was not the purpose of Brother Holland to commit the Grand Lodge of Kentucky to the figure of speech that the sun sets in the West, or that it does not so set, or that it sets at all. He does not believe, nor do we, that a declaration on the subject should be made by the Senior Warden in reciting his duties, and the resolution introduced by him was for the purpose of calling attention to its improper introduction into the ritual.”

Our Brother does not mention what he believed, as noted in our report last year.

Number of Lodges, including 19 under dispensation, 557; initiated, 2936; total membership, 35,983, a gain of 1737.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT R. BURNAM, of Richmond; Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HENRY B. GRANT, of Louisville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

THE One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Communication was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Louisville, on Tuesday, October 17, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, three morning and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT R. BURNAM, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is an excellent, practical paper. He was able to report that the year had been one “better than the average in the growth of those essentials which go to strengthen the Order, numbers, finances and harmony.”

He approved of the purpose of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and was present (as were we) at its meeting in February, 1911, and pledged the support of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky:

“If the members of this Grand Lodge could only have been there and have seen the distinguished Americans who belong to us, you would have been proud, indeed. Beginning with President Taft, came Senators, Congressmen, judges and a host of distinguished private citizens from many States.”

He tells of the good work of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, and reports that “another great Masonic charity,” the Old Masons' Home, has been successfully launched.

He reports an interesting correspondence he had with the Grand Master of Pennsylvania regarding one who had been rejected in a Pennsylvania Lodge in 1905, and in 1910 had been initiated in a Kentucky Lodge, the latter Lodge knowing of the previous rejection.

Grand Master BURNAM relied upon the law of his Jurisdiction, which is as follows:

“Regulation 223. Effect of removal from jurisdiction after rejection: A Kentucky lodge having rejected a petitioner, loses jurisdiction after his removal to another State and in his efforts to become a Mason, he must be governed by the laws of the latter jurisdiction.”

“Regulation 224. Perpetual Jurisdiction: The doctrine of ‘perpetual jurisdiction’ over a profane is not held in Kentucky.”

“Regulation 225. Jurisdictional Golden Rule as to other States: Kentucky has always maintained the doctrine of ‘territorial jurisdiction,’ and accorded to Grand Lodges what it reserves for itself—the right to pass on all candidates who have been *bona fide* residents of this State for the requisite time.”

KENTUCKY.

Our Brethren will be interested in the following letter of Grand Master GUTHRIE:

Philadelphia, Pa., August 15, 1911.

MR. ROBERT R. BURNAM, M. W. Grand Master, E. & A. M.,  
Richmond, Ky.:

M. W. Sir and Dear Brother—Yours of 3rd inst. has been received and accorded the careful consideration which its importance and the importance of preserving the friendly relations now existing between the Grand Jurisdictions of Kentucky and Pennsylvania demand.

Permit me to say that I do not question the independence of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and its sovereignty within its jurisdiction.

From the beginning of the existence of this Grand Lodge, we have claimed for it "independent sovereign Masonic authority within its jurisdiction—amenable to no superior jurisdiction under Heaven, and subject only to the immutable landmarks of the craft," and what we claim for ourselves, we fully and gladly concede to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and every other duly constituted Grand Lodge.

But I cannot admit that either the provisions of the Constitution of the United States, or the principals of international law, "for which we fought in the war of 1812," have any bearing on the question between us.

We are dealing with a question which must be decided only by the Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of our Fraternity, which are not changed or changeable, by civil law or social ideas.

You will pardon me, however, if I point out to you that if the constitutional provision, to which you refer, had any bearing on this question, it is Kentucky, not Pennsylvania, which has infringed it.

It was Pennsylvania's decision that Mr. Shoemaker was



unsuitable, which was questioned and set aside by Kentucky, and this was done without giving Pennsylvania an opportunity to be heard.

So, too, I think further consideration will convince you that if we are to be guided by any analogy to the rules of international law, your contention would not be strengthened thereby.

When the law of the native State imposes on its native born, a fixed personal status or obligation, a returning emigrant (in the absence of treaty provisions) is as subject to that law as if he had never emigrated.

But, all this is aside from the real question. That question is, what is the Masonic law on the subject?

In Pennsylvania, we have always held that when a single black-ball is cast against a candidate, he can not be made a Mason in that or any other Lodge where the fact is known until the disqualification be removed, in the only way we know of, viz.: a clear ballot in the Lodge in which the rejection occurred.

You say that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky has declared in its regulations, "the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction over a rejected profane is not held in Kentucky."

Of course, I must accept your statement of the law in your Jurisdiction as unquestionably correct; but do you not see that in assuming this position you assert the right to revise and set aside the action of a Lodge not under your jurisdiction, while you at the same time assert, and in my opinion properly, that no other Masonic body can exercise authority over the acts of lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

However, in my opinion, the question involved between us is not one of "jurisdiction," but of "Masonic law," and I have long felt that the expression "perpetual jurisdiction over a rejected profane" was a mere colloquialism, and did not properly state our position.

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The question is as to the Masonic effect of a black-ball.

If under the "Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of the Fraternity," the effect is as I have already stated we teach in Pennsylvania, then Sanford W. Shoemaker could not be made a Mason at the time he was received in Lodge No. 400, F. & A. M., of Louisville, Kentucky.

If the Masonic law be not as held in Pennsylvania, then I must admit that our position is wrong; but, if it is so, then I think you must admit that this is a matter which can not be changed by the action of one Grand Lodge or of all the Grand Lodges.

It is not a question of "jurisdiction," nor a matter of Grand Lodge regulation.

As this matter stands at present, I must stand for the "Ancient Usages, Customs and Landmarks of the Fraternity," as they have come down to us from the past, and hold that Sanford W. Shoemaker can not receive Masonic recognition from any Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

In view of what you say in regard to his petition, I must withdraw the charge that Mr. Shoemaker had gained his admission to Lodge No. 400, at Louisville, by false statements.

This was the information given me, and I repeated it to you, as I assumed that because he could not in any other way have gained admission to a lodge in Pennsylvania, had the conditions been reversed, that the same was true in Kentucky.

I am glad to acknowledge that my information was wrong on this point, and so do an act of simple justice to Mr. Shoemaker. On the other hand, I think your action should not be influenced by the charge that the rejection of Mr. Shoemaker in Shenandoah Lodge, No. 511, was for an improper and unworthy motive.

That would have been a great wrong, not only to Mr. Shoemaker, but to the Lodge and the Fraternity; such un-



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masonic conduct ought not to be assumed on *ex parte* statements.

I sincerely hope that this will not interfere with the friendly relations which have heretofore existed and should hereafter continue between these two Grand Lodges.

I do not question the independence and sovereignty of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, but I think you will concede that it is my duty to protect the sovereignty of this Grand Lodge, and forbid the Masonic recognition of one who has been received in violation of the Landmarks of Freemasonry, as we hold.

I am, my dear Brother,

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, *Grand Master.*

We are quite of the opinion that Kentucky is a Sovereign Grand Jurisdiction, yet we also think that there are other Sovereign Grand Jurisdictions.

MR. SHOEMAKER did not apply for initiation into a Pennsylvania *Lodge*; he applied for initiation *into the Fraternity of Freemasons*, and asked that that initiation take place in a Pennsylvania Lodge, and further asked that he might become a member of that Lodge. We have become so accustomed to the phrase, "petition for initiation and membership," that many forget that two different things are asked for; first, initiation into the *Fraternity*, and second, membership in a particular *Lodge*. There was a time when these two things did not go together. In the case in point, an application had been made for initiation into the *Fraternity*, a ballot has established the fact that there was a *Masonic objection* existing at that time to such initiation, and until that objection has been removed, the petitioner could not be received into the *Fraternity*. The fact that the *Masonic objection* no longer existed could be established, as its existence had been established, by a ballot, and had



application been made in this case to the Pennsylvania Lodge, where the petitioner had elected to apply, the objection might have been removed.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania cannot recognize as a member of the Fraternity one against whom it has been lawfully established that a Masonic objection exists, unless and until it is shown that that objection no longer exists, no matter what a Lodge in another Sovereign Jurisdiction may have done.

Porto Rico was recognized, while San Salvador, Valle de Mexico, and Swiss Alpina were deferred.

From the record we are not sure whether Kentucky has or has not authorized, not merely a cipher, but a written account of the esoteric as well as the exoteric parts of Masonry.

In the returns of the Lodges, we are glad to see the name of a distant kinsman in the membership of Col. Clay Lodge, No. 159, at Covington.

The report of the Committee on Proceedings of other Grand Lodges is as usual by the Reviewer, Brother CLARKE, and is full of interesting matter.

Under Nebraska, our Brother confesses that he "has not yet determined which is the best method of writing a report on Correspondence, and so he blunders along, sometimes trying one, and again the other, method."

He seems to be very successful in his "blundering," although he at times so uses his pronouns that he tells his readers to "be careful to untangle" them.

Our Brother, under Colorado, makes a suggestion that will interest the members of the Round Table:

"We venture a suggestion: Instead of a Conference of Grand Masters, who usually hold office for one year, a Conference of Chairmen of Foreign Correspondence. Candidly, we believe that some real advance toward the solution of

some vexing questions of Masonic Jurisprudence and pality would be made by a conference of those who, from year to year, study and discuss these problems."

Under Idaho, Brother CLARKE well remarks:

"Anciently, there were certain rights and privileges enjoyed by Masons, not on account of being members of lodges, but on account of, and fearing [*sic*; perhaps differing, is intended] from, membership in the Order. In these latter days, it seems, this last is lost sight of entirely, and Masonry and Lodge are rapidly coming to mean one and the same thing."

In his conclusion Brother CLARKE is "forced by the relentless laws of inexorable logic" to a conclusion, with which we cannot agree, as we are unable to admit our Brother's premises.

Pennsylvania for 1910 is considered, our Brother saying:

"There is very much in the proceedings of the several Communications that is of interest to the student, but not a great deal that offers material for a review."

A large part of the address of Judge BARRATT in accepting the WASHINGTON portrait, presented by Brother WANAMAKER, is given. (We have called attention in this report under Iowa to some inaccuracies in the same.)

Commenting upon a decision of Grand Master GUTHRIE, our Brother inquires, "Have our good brethren of Pennsylvania a grievance against the sisters?" We may reply, "Certainly not. We think that a Fraternity, being composed of men (*fratres*) had best leave societies of women (*sororities*) to themselves."

Our report received pleasant words.



## LOUISIANA.

Number of Lodges, including five under dispensation, 567; initiated, 2849; total membership, including "free members—pastors and 50 year members," 37,356, a gain of 1497.

Most Worshipful Brother DAVE JACKSON, of Louisville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HENRY B. GRANT, of Louisville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## LOUISIANA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Louisiana began its Ninety-ninth Annual Grand Communication in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of New Orleans, on Monday, February 6, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, only night sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN S. THIBAUT, Grand Master.

In the early part of his forceful address, the Grand Master well says:

"The conclusion forces itself upon us that the builders of our Mystic Temple are careless in the choice of their material; many a stone used in the construction of the edifice lacks the characteristics of 'good, true and square work.' The increased popularity of Masonry, the attractive social features at the culmination of the series of our Masonic degrees lead many a 'good fellow' among our acquaintances to seek the 'pleasures' of Masonry (?). The laxness of investigating committees performing their duties in a perfunctory manner, as a mere matter of form or compliance with the written law; our own disinclination to exercise in a more scrutinizing way our right to the negative ballot, admit the 'good fellow' who soon shows that he is an unworthy member among us. I do not wish to be classed as a 'praiser of



times past,' but I say without fear of contradiction that positive qualities are not so strenuously insisted upon as formerly. Every one must recognize that the man who possesses only negative qualifications is a negligible quantity and can lend neither strength, power, influence nor dignity to our Ancient and Honorable Craft. I appeal to the brotherhood to be more careful. Let us inquire particularly into the character of our applicants."

He earnestly urges "fewer but more intelligent Masons—quality and not quantity."

In his address, under "Foreign Relations," Brother THIBAUT says:

"The Grand Lodge of Louisiana, in keeping with its liberal principles, adopted a resolution at its last session directing the Committee on Foreign Correspondence 'to devote its attention to and ascertain and inform the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of conditions of Grand Lodges F. & A. M. of the York Rite and of Grand Orients in foreign countries with a view of establishing wherever possible and permissible, fraternal Masonic relations with such bodies.' Our Committee have labored faithfully and their conclusions will be presented at length to you in their report. I anticipate this report by saying that it is extremely conservative as it recommends the *status quo ante* as to our continental European relations. I fully concur with the Committee insofar as certain bodies are concerned, but I must not hesitate to disagree with them in regard especially to the Grand Lodge Alpina of Switzerland."

From this it would seem that there was a *third* report of the Committee on Correspondence, as we fail to find any report corresponding to the Grand Master's description. We do find a report recommending the recognition of the Grand Orient of Paraguay, which was adopted, and a report

which embodied the following resolutions, which also were adopted:

*“Resolved, That the recognition of the Grand Lodge Alpina be deferred until such time as it is evident that the said Grand Lodge requires of its initiates, a belief in God and has the Great Lights upon all its Altars.*

*“Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Louisiana tender its good offices to the Grand Orient of Italy, on the one part, and to the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania and of Missouri on the other, for the adjustment of the difficulties that have arisen between them, growing out of the invasion of the several jurisdictions of the latter by the said Grand Orient.”*

Our Most Worshipful Brother seems greatly taken with the thought of Universal Masonry, and that Utopian idea influences his views. We are not of those who think that there is such a thing as “English Masonry” or “American Masonry” or “Latin Masonry”; we believe in the “Masonry,” pure and simple, that has come down to us in its beautiful but unadorned form, and we fear that the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, “in keeping with its liberal principles,” as the Grand Master says, is likely to be “liberal” in giving up what it has not the right to give up.

The Grand Master approved of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and the Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended the matter be referred to the incoming Grand Master, which was done.

An increase in the membership of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was made, the following substitute of the Chairman, our friend Brother DUNCAN (who as before “variously impresses” his Grand Secretary), being adopted:

“A Committee on Foreign Correspondence to be composed of a Chairman, speaking the English language, and such further number of members as may be necessary to



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provide that there shall be a member for each of the foreign languages in which the proceedings of Grand Lodges are printed."

We note that five Brethren were appointed to this Committee.

The Grand Lodge of Louisiana is in correspondence with the following Grand Lodges in Mexico: Valle de Mexico, Oaxaca, Nuevo Leon, and Cosmos of Chihuahua. We understand that the first is *not* in correspondence with the others.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, the Reverend Brother HERMAN COPE DUNCAN, D.D., Grand Chaplain.

In his "Final Word," he says:

"Those who have read our reports will bear us witness that from the beginning we have been diligent specially in two directions—to enlarge the field of our fraternal intercourse, and uphold the integrity of the Institution of Freemasonry. The resolutions adopted not long since of instructions were entirely agreeable to us, and were cheerfully reported. Their spirit has always been our spirit."

Our Brother thinks the requirement that a Master Mason should be proficient is quite necessary.

Under California, our Brother says:

"Two Lodges in the Hawaii Islands holding warrants from the Grand Lodge of Scotland appear to wish to surrender their charters to that Grand Lodge and receive warrants from the Grand Lodge of California. It was decided that the Grand Lodge could not enter into the deal, but that the only method by which the Grand Lodge of California could place a Lodge on its register was by the granting of a dispensation to properly qualified individual Masons to form a



Lodge, and then by the subsequent petition of such Lodge U. D. for a charter.

“We presume that the decision is good law under the California constitution, and we can only write upon the question whether a Lodge as such can surrender its warrant to the power granting it and receive warrant as a Lodge from another Masonic Power. About a century ago this occurred in several instances in Louisiana, Lodges holding warrants from the Grand Orient of France and working the Modern Rite received charters from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to work in the York Rite. We are not aware what the provisions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania were at that time, but the fact remains that Grand Lodge found itself able to grant charters to Lodges as such, and without their passing through the Dispensation stage.”

We wish our Brother would explain what he means by the words “to Lodges as such,” as printed above. We should also be glad to have further information as to “the Modern Rite”; for the Grand Orient of France, according to our information, was at that time what is usually called a York Rite body.

Under Illinois, our Brother brings forward a curious explanation of the power that a Supreme Council of the A. and A. Scottish Rite has, as he views it, over the first three degrees of Symbolic Masonry, as they are often called, and that is that it is not “a question of geneology, but as to powers of government.”

“The Grand Lodge of England admitted to its legislative halls its Entered Apprentices, that is, its members of the first degree, and they have participated in all its executive as well as legislative acts. In the course of time Lodges were warranted, either directly, or more remotely, in France and in Illinois. And such Lodges came in process of time

to the organization of Grand Bodies, just as the four Lodges in London had done. They both departed from the customs and laws of the Grand Lodge of England. In Illinois the Grand Lodge took away the suffrage and the right of representation from its Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts, and vested the power to rule and govern in its Masters, or third degree Masons only. In France they carried the matter a little further and confined the exercise of chief authority to Masons of the thirty-third degree.

“Our position has been and is, that if it is proper to deprive first and second degree Masons of their rights and privileges, keeping them out of the governing bodies, so local circumstances may justify the extension of the exclusion.”

As there is no power in Masonry other than a Grand Lodge that has any jurisdiction or control over the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason, any alleged power of the “extension of the exclusion,” claimed by any other body, is *ultra vires*.

Under Mexico, to our Brother it appears that “the split” in the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico has occurred “on the lines of the Rites—York Rite on the one side and Scotch [we take it he intends Scottish] Rite on the other,” which he regards as “most unfortunate.” The change in name to “York Grand Lodge of Mexico” shows that our Brother’s view is correct as to the line of cleavage.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is briefly summarized. Our Brother is mistaken when he states that in Pennsylvania “the jurisdictional claim to rejected material is limited to five years,” as we have pointed out elsewhere in this report.

Our report is considered, at least that part relating to Louisiana, and our Brother kindly points out the honors of which a Grand Master is deprived by resigning during his term are “the title of Past Grand Master and permanent membership with the right to vote, which honors our [*i.e.*, Louisiana] law gives to Past Grand Masters.”



Our Brother says, referring to this writer:

“ Our friend and brother says in reference to what we have said of the Scottish Rite in respect to a territory where it found itself the sole Masonic occupant to perpetuate itself that he would like to be shown. We have gone over this matter so much, and our remarks have been so extended that we feel that it would make for clear understanding if Bro. Lamberton would tell us exactly where he considers our argument breaks in its chain. Is it where the Lodges of France organized the Rite Moderne; is it where the right of supreme government was vested in a body of twenty-fourth degree Masons; is it in the extension of the Rite to thirty-three degrees, and the transfer of supreme governing power to Masons of that degree?

“ We shall defer further statement until we hear from him.”

We are aware our Brother has written a good deal on this subject, but we do not think the evidence he has brought forward to sustain his position is competent for the purpose for which it is offered. We should like to be shown how any body other than a Grand Lodge has any jurisdiction or control over the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason.

Number of Lodges, 210; initiated, 1237; total membership, 13,596, a gain of 725.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN S. THIBAUT, of Donalds-ville, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother RICHARD LAMBERT, of New Orleans, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### MAINE—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine began its Ninety-second Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Portland, on Tuesday, May 2, A.D. 1911, and closed



two days later, two morning and two afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Reverend Brother ASHLEY A. SMITH, Grand Master.

The Grand Master was delayed in reaching Portland, on account of the great fire at Bangor the Sunday previous, when he lost thereby both his Church and his home. He received the sympathy, both sentimental and practical, of the Grand Lodge. The fire also prevented the attendance of Past Grand Master COLLAMORE, his "first miss in forty-five years."

Maine seems to be a healthy State for Past Grand Masters; another, Past Grand Master TAYLOR, was detained by the illness of his wife, his first miss in forty-nine years.

The annual address of the Grand Master, brief and to the point, read by his Deputy, is thus launched:

"When a vessel returns from a long voyage, those who are interested in the annals and outward events of that voyage may learn something about it by reading the ship's log, as it is termed, in which are recorded and narrated the various important incidents of the time which has elapsed since it first set sail from its home port until its return to its harbor. And now for twelve months on the sea of time we have been voyaging and to-day return to the familiar harbor and moor the vessel, perhaps for the last time, at the old pier, for when next we meet it will be within the halls of our new Masonic Home, where together we may say 'Peace be within thy walls and prosperity within thy palaces, yea, for my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within thee.' And not without something of 'the sadness of farewell' do we say good-bye to these humbler halls which have been for so many peaceful and prosperous years the home and abiding place of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. Here in this Grand East have stood so many of our Grand Masters

wielding the potent gavel of their mastership and wearing the royal purple with pleasure to themselves and honor to the Fraternity."

We note that our friend Past Grand Master MALLETT, whom we had the good luck to run across on a crowded dock at Portland in August, was appointed to fill a vacancy in the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. We saw the newly completed Masonic Temple.

It is interesting to note that the matter of Lodge histories is receiving such intelligent care in Maine.

A message of fraternal greetings and good wishes was received from our Brother President WILLIAM H. TAFT.

In the list of Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maine near other Grand Lodges, we see two whose addresses are unknown. How very useful these Brethren must be to the Grand Lodge they represent!

In his report on Correspondence, or Foreign Correspondence, the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALBRO E. CHASE, who gives us another informing report, has found a new field for usefulness on the part of Representatives, saying, under Colorado:

"It required nearly three pages to enumerate the several requests received and asked for, so that degrees might be conferred in other jurisdictions. Who can tell in what jurisdiction this absurd method started? If the method is to prevail, why should not the correspondence go through the Grand Representatives? Are they not the accredited ones to present the asked for privilege? Why should not the Grand Representative for Maine (for instance) appear on bended knee before the Grand Master of Colorado and proffer the written request that —— lodge of Colorado confer the F. C. degree upon Bro. John Doe of —— lodge of Maine? And then why should not reply be made, 'It shall be done'? As it is now, the Grand Master would reply after this fash-



ion: 'Your petition, so graciously presented, is gratefully received, but before granting your request I must take time to deliberate, and you may call in ten days to receive my answer,' meaning thereby, that he will write to —— lodge to see if such action would be agreeable to them. Oh, how wonderful are the works of *man's* creation."

Under Kentucky, our Brother shows an inquiring mind:

"We wonder when the Grand Lodge will welcome and accord the Grand Honors to the Great Incohonee of the Improved Order of Red Men. They so welcomed and honored some one introduced as the Imperial Potentate of the A. A. O. N. M. S., of North America. He addressed the Grand Lodge too. Did he discuss the best method of feeding camels so that the flow of milk would increase? Did he explain why the sands that must be crossed by the candidate are made so hot? Perhaps he explained the great motive for the organization of the body he represented and urged the members of the Grand Lodge to hasten their ways and take the 'higher degrees' to the end that the 'Arab patrol' might capture them."

Under Maryland, our Brother is still of an inquiring mind:

"The M. W. Grand Master of Virginia was present to say a word or two about the proposed memorial to Washington to be erected at Alexandria, Virginia, and in his short and spirited address he said:

"'I am glad to come here as the representative of the oldest grand jurisdiction in the United States, and to pay tribute to the oldest Grand Master—a veteran, sirs, not in age, not in appearance, but a veteran in the service of the craft.'

"Now what will Massachusetts and Pennsylvania do about this? Will they recognize that there was a splendid



oratorical opportunity given and used by the distinguished brother or will they assume that in sober earnestness he asserted that Virginia was the 'oldest grand jurisdiction in the United States?' ' ' "

We confess that we were for a time at a loss to understand Brother McCHESNEY's grounds for saying that he was the representative "of the oldest grand jurisdiction in the United States," but we believe we have found out. In the first place, we understand he disposes of the Provincial Grand Lodges that existed before the Revolution, by declaring that they were *not* Grand Lodges! And, then, he disposes of the present "Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," because it was formed in 1792 as "a new Grand Lodge," by the *union* of the Saint John's Grand Lodge ("Moderns"), which, by its action in electing a Grand Master on March 7, 1777, had declared its independence of the Scottish Grand Lodge whose warrant it had held, and the Massachusetts Grand Lodge ("Ancients"). The Grand Lodge of Virginia was formed October 13, 1778. See under Virginia in this report.

We are somewhat surprised to have our Brother seem to question the advantage flowing from visitations to Lodges by the Grand Master. We regard them as helpful and stimulating.

Pennsylvania for 1910 is briefly considered, a quotation being made from a report of the Committee on Landmarks and two from our report. Brother CHASE observes:

"One cannot read the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania without being almost overwhelmed with the amount of wealth that it has for its charitable purposes. And now there is in progress a Masonic Home at Elizabethtown which bids fair to excel in every particular any masonic home anywhere."

Number of Lodges, 203; initiated, 1266; total membership, 28,781, a gain of 453.

Most Worshipful Reverend Brother ASHLEY A. SMITH, of Bangor, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother STEPHEN BERRY, of Portland, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### MANITOBA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Thirty-sixth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Winnipeg, on Wednesday evening, June 14, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, when three sessions were held.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. BAKER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is of unusual merit as a literary and scholarly paper. Our Brother was diligent in visiting the Lodges, and much good doubtless resulted from them. He tells us:

“I tried in my simple way to impress upon my brethren the great underlying principles of our Order, leading them step by step, though feebly, to the realms of a wider view of the great life problems, and what Masonry really means to us in our every-day walk of life. That the Craft should be something more to us than a mere reiteration of The Work, most beautiful in itself, but a mere means to an end, a practical cult for the mind's direction to the lofty and wide range of all that is best in man's nature. I tried, too, to reason out with them our true ideals, and that for our personal, present benefit, as well as possessing at the same time a kindly consideration for our brother man, whether a Mason or no; for true happiness is not to be had with self only in view.



“The Great Giver of all good has bestowed upon us an intellect, a thing to use, for by its use, it strengthens, and with it we can the better discern our Lodge Literature, for every word has a meaning, pregnant with thought and based upon the soundest philosophy, and besides, elevating us beyond the sordid affairs of everyday life.”

He issued a letter to the Lodges calling attention to the celebration this year of the Tercentenary of the Bible, from which we quote:

“Great men like Addison, Pope, Farrar, Johnson, Bacon, Newton, Milton, Cromwell, Bunyan, Scott, Ruskin, Macaulay, Tennyson, Dickens and a host of others have sung the praises of that Great Book, and even agnostics like Huxley, have declared that that ‘Book has been woven into the life of all that is best and noblest in English history; that it has become the national epic of Britain, and is familiar to the noble and simple; that it is written in the noblest and purest English, and abounds in exquisite beauties of a merely literary form, and that it forbids the veriest hind who never left his village to be ignorant of the existence of other countries and other civilizations, and of a great past stretching back to the furthest limits of the oldest nations of the world,’ and he (Huxley) called it the ‘Magna Charta of the poor and oppressed.’ ”

Our Brother writes of “Emblems” to our liking:

“From observations extending over some years, I have noticed a decided tendency to exhibit an undue display of emblems worn in various ways upon the person of the brethren. This should be deprecated, as being contrary to the spirit of true Masonry. It needs but a little consideration to see that a mere metallic ornament can hardly be sufficient to announce to the world that we belong to a society which is based on a morality. Something more is neces-



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sarily required of us. What, then, should be our emblem? Should it not be character and deportment and becoming dignity, fitting to those principles which are our bulwark and pride.

“On the other hand, a modest display of our emblem may have, and should have an influence on our lives, for it should ever remind us of our obligations and make us display in our every walk of life, that we are of a brotherhood whose tenets and teachings are founded on truth and rectitude of conduct. I have observed that the larger the emblem the less the wearer recollects what it represents.

“The brother, then, who makes a great metallic display and forgets, by his tenor of life, that he belongs to our Order, not only brings disgrace upon himself, but stigmatizes our whole system and casts an odious reflection on every member of the Craft. Our responsibility, therefore, is very great to the Order.”

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 71; initiated, 562; total membership, 5619, a gain of 468.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN WEMYSS, of Neepawa, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother JAMES A. OVAS, of Winnipeg, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MARYLAND—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland held its Two Hundred and Forty-sixth Semi-Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Baltimore, on Tuesday evening, May 10, A.D. 1910.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, Grand Master.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a report recommending the recognition of the Grand Lodge

Valle de Mexico. This report does not seem up to the standard of a report that we expect when our Brother EDWARD T. SCHULTZ takes a hand in its preparation, and is very different from the able, and, in view of the serious handicap under which our dear Brother labors, the very remarkable, report he has included in the conclusion of his report on Correspondence, of which we speak later.

The Committee say:

“In the performance of this duty your Committee did not deem it necessary to take into consideration the irregularities and disorder heretofore existing in our sister Republic, but to confine itself to the conditions now prevailing as represented by the Grand Lodge asking recognition, as disclosed by the investigations of able Committees of Jurisprudence and Correspondence of other Grand Lodges who have given much time and attention to the subject.”

The Committee learned from these reports, *inter alia*:

“that it [the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico] has sole sovereign and exclusive jurisdiction over symbolic Masonry in the Federal District, which is similar to the District of Columbia in our country.”

This reminds of the words in the report made by the Grand Registrar to the Grand Lodge of England in September, 1906, about assenting to the recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico “*as having sole and sovereign jurisdiction within the South-American [sic] Country of Mexico,*” of which we have written elsewhere in this report. It will be recalled that when the lengthy report of the Grand Registrar was reprinted in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the very important words which are italicized above, were entirely omitted, and there was nothing to suggest any omission whatsoever!



Had our Brother examined the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, he would have discovered that, whatever claims the Body might make, it was not, and is not, a *sovereign* Body. See under British Columbia, in this report.

Action upon the Committee's report was postponed to the November Communication, at which time, so far as the record shows, no action was taken, and we do not find this Grand Lodge in the "List of Grand Lodges In Correspondence With the Grand Lodge of Maryland."

A minute regarding the death of EDWARD VII, who is styled "Emperor of Great Britain and Ireland," was offered by our friend Past Grand Master CARTER, and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The record says:

"The Grand Marshal presented a handsomely framed copy of a resolution of thanks from the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania to this Grand Lodge for the election of the Right Worshipful George B. Orlady as an Honorary Past Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Maryland, which was accepted, and on motion of Brother Blacklock was ordered placed in the Masonic Museum in the Temple."

The Grand Master of Maryland opens the Grand Lodge in person at Special and Called Communications; the regular Communications being opened by the Deputy Grand Master.

At the One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Communication on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, November 15 and 16, A.D. 1910, the Grand Master of Virginia, Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. MCCHESENEY, Past Grand Master DUKE and Brother CHARLES H. CALLAHAN, Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, were present, and at the request of Grand Master SHRYOCK spoke of the



purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, which the Grand Lodge approved, and appointed Grand Master SHRYOCK (and one other Brother to be selected by him) to represent the Grand Lodge at Alexandria, on February 22, 1910, where it was our pleasure to see him.

After the Grand Lodge closed, the Brethren went to the corridor of the Temple, where, between the two entrances to the Grand Lodge room, a very fine bronze tablet, bearing a "counterfeit presentment" of himself, had been erected in honor of Grand Master SHRYOCK, which was then unveiled, the same being "A Tribute of Appreciation, Respect and Brotherly Love from the Fraternity to Commemorate the Close of his Twenty-fifth successive year on Devoted Labor in Behalf of the Craft as its Grand Master."

Small tablets, showing the head of the Grand Master, and having this inscription on the reverse: "In Grateful Acknowledgment of Twenty-five Years of Service as Grand Master of Masons of Maryland," have also been prepared; we value ours very highly.

The record tells us the second evening:

"The R. W. Grand Marshal, accompanied by the Grand Pursuivant and Grand Director of Ceremonies, retired and escorted into the Grand Lodge M. W. Brother George W. Guthrie, M. W. Grand Master of Pennsylvania; M. W. Brother George B. Orlady, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania and Honorary Past Grand Master of Maryland, who were accompanied by and presented to the Grand Lodge by M. W. Brother John M. Carter, Past Grand Master.

"They were received and cordially welcomed by the M. W. Grand Master, M. W. Brother Thomas J. Shryock."

This evening, a magnificent silver loving cup, which had been provided by the Brethren of Maryland, through a committee of twelve Brethren, none of whom were members of the Grand Lodge, was presented to Grand Master SHRYOCK.

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The installation ceremonies proceeded, and a number of congratulatory addresses were made. We quote Grand Master GUTHRIE'S:

*"Most Worshipful Grand Master:* It gives me great pleasure to congratulate you on the high honor which has been conferred upon you by the Masons of Maryland in electing you their Grand Master for the twenty-sixth time. It is indeed a most distinguished honor of which you have a right to be proud.

"I also congratulate you on the respect, love and confidence of your Brethren, which you have so well earned, and which has been so appropriately testified by the Brethren here assembled and by the beautiful tribute given to you from their heart. There is nothing more touching than the devotion and unstinted loyalty which Masons give to a Grand Master whom they trust.

"But above all, I congratulate you on the consciousness of twenty-five years of faithful service in the cause of Humanity—of loving help, patience, admonition and sincere sympathy to the Brethren.

"When earthly honors fall away; when the ears grow dull to words of love, and admiration, and well earned commendation, this consciousness of service will remain with you to bless you through all eternity.

"I bring with me the congratulations of your Brethren in Pennsylvania, and the assurance of their good wishes for the peace and prosperity of this Grand Lodge. They hope that in the years to come, the fraternal relations between the two Jurisdictions may never be disturbed.

"May God be with you and aid you through all the years to come to carry, as you have so well done in the past, the white flower of a blameless life."

We note that the Grand Master of Virginia told Brother SHRYOCK that he had "displayed all the skill and ability of



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Hiram A. Biff.” Possibly we might recognize the Brother if we only knew his middle name.

The record tells us:

“M. W. Brother George B. Orlady, Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and Honorary Past Grand Master of Maryland, then invested Brother Shryock with the jewels of his office, and added:

“MY DEAR MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER:

“Pennsylvania comes again to present her blessing and fraternal greetings.

“This occasion is so novel and impressive that it is not possible to give it any comparative rank. To be clothed for twenty-sixth successive years with the jewel of your high office, is an honor never worn by any other man.

“Such a service demonstrates your fitness for the station, but as well the loyal confidence reposed in you by those whom you serve.

“Twenty-five years as the executive and administrative head of this splendid organization is necessarily founded upon rare capacity for such arduous labor; an enthusiastic zeal in the work you have had to do; and the continuing approval of those for whom you have acted.

“During that same period of time, we, in Pennsylvania have had fourteen Grand Masters, and I say to you in confidence, that any one of that list would have been delighted to have had and used your prescription for continuing one’s self in office. You have religiously refrained on all occasions during this past quarter-century from taking any part, or evincing any interest in the politics of your Grand Lodge, and for this rare discretion you are to be highly commended. Yet it is quite remarkable, and beyond explanation, that some occult mystical influence has so pervaded your Jurisdiction as to make each one of your membership a mindreader so



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as to accurately anticipate the desire of their Grand Master, by doing of their volition the very things you wanted them to do. This clairvoyant treatment of this troublesome question commands the admiration of the whole Fraternity in the western world.

“Your interpretation of the Masonic mind, as evidenced by your method of conducting your elections in this Grand Lodge is so exceptional and effective that we stand uncovered in the presence of such a spectacle. [Applause.]

“To have and assert the power of the President, of Congress, the Committee on Landmarks, and the whole proletariat as centered in one person has never before succeeded in the history of governmental law, and we heartily congratulate your Brethren in having such absolute power so safely lodged. Other Jurisdictions may withhold commendation of such Czar and Sultan methods, but I assure you, that each and every one of the Grand Masters, past, present and future, would enjoy the exercise of such prerogative might. [Laughter.]

“Up Pennsylvania way we send people to jail for tampering with the ballot. The Maryland plan is far superior to ours, in that it dispenses with, ignores, and waives all ballot. Such a method is not open to the assault of any reform movement. [Laughter.]

“It is an old, a trite and true saying that no man is indispensable, and your successful reign emphasizes the truth of the rule, by the glaring pertinence of the exception to it in your case. [Applause.]

“My dear Sir and Brother, you have combined loyalty to duty; with zeal in discharge of it, you have maintained the Landmarks of the Fraternity by withholding decision, so that each controversy might work out its own solution and salvation; you have prevented schism, and developed fraternal friendships among men in so charming and efficient a way that you have merited and secured the admiration and

affection of all the Craft, as a plain, plumb, level and square man. [Applause.]

“While we all love you, yet, we have some curiosity to know when you intend to let go your hold on this station. [Laughter.] There is already a promising waiting list. If that time ever does come, we want you to feel that there is a very exclusive circle of Past Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge, which will cheerfully welcome you to its rank, and we want you to further feel, that in the event of that uncertain event, the Fraternity at large will still insist on having the aid and benefit of your wise and conservative counsel in all the good things that Freemasonry advocates. [Applause.]

“May the Grand Master of us all have you in His keeping, to preserve and comfort you through all the days of your life, is the earnest wish and prayer of all the Brethren, and now, by virtue of the power in me invested as an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, I invest you with the Jewel of your office. Hark well to the East.”

The report on Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Past Senior Grand Warden Brother EDWARD T. SCHULTZ, his twenty-third. His is a practised hand (he mentions that he is preparing his *thirty-fourth* report for his Grand Chapter), and it is full of interest.

Under Delaware, he tells us:

“The Grand Master refers at some length to the subject of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material and gives the law regarding the subject of the various Grand Lodges in the United States, from which we are somewhat surprised to find that there are but thirteen that now adhere to the old-time regulations that a Lodge as the agent of the Fraternity having delivered its verdict that an applicant is unfit or unworthy to enter their Fraternity must be respected until annulled or repealed by the rejecting Lodge.”



In his conclusion, he gives the remarkable paper on making a Mason at sight, which we commend to all Brethren interested in that subject. We quote a portion:

“It is well known that this right has been exercised in our country from the very earliest times, the right is expressly recognized by the earliest Ahiman Rezens of Pennsylvania and has been exercised by that and other Grand Lodges for more than a century and a quarter, the latest known case being by the Grand Master of Ohio less than two years ago. What more can our Bro. Matthews require to constitute a landmark?

“We have the utmost respect for the opinions and views of our distinguished English Brethren Hughan and Gould, but they are not infallible, and they would be the first to admit this, and they therefore may sometimes, as well as their less learned Brothers, be mistaken.

“Brother Hughan is not quite correct in intimating that something of the kind occurred in the early part of the eighteenth century. The cases we cited proved four of them occurred after the middle of the century had passed and one of them (1787) near the close of the century.

“Brother Gould is certainly mistaken in the statement in his great history that it ‘was never heard of until it was introduced by Dermot, the Grand Secretary of the Schismatic Grand Lodge of England, April 16, 1777.’ The quotations we have given from the book of constitutions completely refute this statement as it will be noticed that the right was exercised five times before Dermot, by the Moderns, the legitimate Grand Lodge, and one of them forty-six years prior to the date assigned for its introduction by Dermot.”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed, and our resolutions with regard to the honor done to Grand Master ORLADY in his election as Honorary Past Grand Master of Maryland,



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and congratulating Grand Master SHRYOCK upon his twenty-fifth election as Grand Master, are quoted, our Brother making a slip in the title he accords us.

Brother SCHULTZ quotes Grand Master ORLADY's address as to making a Mason at sight, agreeing with his Right Worshipful Brother. He also refers to our report ("full, able and interesting"), making the same slip in the title accorded us.

We regret to learn that Grand Secretary ISAAC has entered into life eternal. We were indebted to him for courtesies.

Number of Lodges, 114; no information as to work; and while the number of members is given under each Lodge (we noticed one that purported to have 85 members, but gave the names of 87 members), we find no total given.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, of Baltimore, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE COOK, of Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

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## MASSACHUSETTS—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held a Quarterly Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Boston, on Wednesday, March 9, A.D. 1910.

Most Worshipful Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, Grand Master.

This Communication was notable for the number of memorials of departed Brethren presented. The grim Tyler has been knocking too frequently.

A report from a special Committee recommended that the Grand Lodge enter into "official relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico." This report begins: "Upon the application for recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de

Mexico, of the Federal District, State of Mexico." This is almost equal to the English Grand Registrar's "South-American country of Mexico," to which we have referred in this report. One with equal propriety might speak of the "District of Columbia, State of America," or "District of Columbia, State of Maryland."

It is a matter of general information that the Republic of Mexico is composed of three parts or divisions, as we may call them; first, twenty-seven States (the *State of Mexico* being one, with an area of 9247 square miles); second, the Federal District, with an area of .463 square mile, and bounded on all sides but one by the State of Mexico; and third, three territories.

Had our Brethren examined the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and weighed them as well as "the representations made in its behalf," the Committee's recommendation might have been different. The last Proceedings show that Valle de Mexico is not a *sovereign* body.

At the June Quarterly, the Grand Master made announcement of the death of King EDWARD VII, reporting the graceful letter of sympathy which he had transmitted to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of England, with the reply received.

A bust of WASHINGTON was presented by the Senior Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL C. LAWRENCE, who, we are sorry to say, has entered into life eternal.

At the September Quarterly, matters of local interest engaged the Brethren.

At the December Quarterly, the Grand Master made his annual address, which, as usual in this Jurisdiction, includes much that is given in separate reports in other Jurisdictions. Brother FLANDERS was diligent in attending to the duties of his Station, making many visitations and attending many Special Communications, which are duly recorded in the Proceedings, and form a valuable feature.

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ciation, he had referred to a special Committee of which our friend, Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES T. GALLAGHER, was Chairman, and it reported favorably, its report being unanimously adopted.

The Grand Master expressed the hope that before the next Annual Communication, their Masonic Home might be dedicated and opened.

Sympathy with the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs at Neufchatel, Switzerland, in its work was voted, and \$25 donated.

The proposed amendment providing for a Committee on Jurisprudence was withdrawn.

A Stated Communication was held on December 27 for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers and celebrating the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist. The celebration was greatly enjoyed, many interesting and entertaining addresses being made.

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, including three in China and three in Chile, 241; initiated, 3271; total membership, 58,679, a gain of 2481.

Most Worshipful Brother DANA J. FLANDERS, of Malden, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS W. DAVIS, of Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MICHIGAN—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Michigan began its Sixty-seventh Annual Communication in the Auditorium, in the City of Port Huron, on Tuesday, May 23, A.D. 1911, and closed the following morning, three sessions being held the first day.

Welcome was extended by His Honor the Mayor of the City, Past Master BELL, and by the senior Past Grand Mas-



ter of Michigan, Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM T. MITCHELL, a citizen of Port Hope; this venerable Brother, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at Alexandria, Virginia, is in his ninety-fourth year, still active and vigorous.

Most Worshipful Brother G. ROSCOE SWIFT, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a very luminous document, the correspondence regarding the Canada incident and the visit to Alexandria, being given in full. In his account of his numerous labors, our good Brother's genial personality comes out from time to time. We first met our Brother at Alexandria last February, and in September he was the guest of our Grand Master during the celebration of the One Hundredth and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Independence as a Grand Lodge.

Our Brother says:

“It should surely be a matter of pride to every man who is permitted to wear the emblem of the order in a visible badge on his person or as an indelible impression on his life and character, that he is a member of a great fraternity, that because of these teachings and professions has attracted in all ages, the greatest and best of men to its ranks and which by its quiet and benign influence, is exerting a power and control in society of which today, I believe, we have no adequate idea. We should never permit its dignity to be lowered by any act or word of ours but, at all times and in all places, so demean ourselves that we will be known as Masons by the uprightness of our lives and the correctness of our conduct.

“To make the path a little plainer for other's feet; to add a little to the light that is battling with the gloom; to make the world a little better, cheerier and happier for our presence in it—this is the great debt we, as Masons, owe the world.”

It was well for our Brother to tell his Grand Lodge, when speaking of the great amount of correspondence the Grand Master has had regarding ciphers or "rituals," as they are called in Michigan:

"Many do not know that Michigan Grand Lodge is receiving many sharp criticisms because it permits a ritual at all."

The Grand Master submitted a novel proposition from Palestine Lodge, which has a membership of 1650, to form a new Lodge, practically as a part of Palestine Lodge, so that part of the work of the former may be done by the latter. The matter was submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which reported approval of the Grand Master's course in declining to issue the dispensation desired.

As a result of a Lodge of Port Hope crossing over to Sarnia, and burying a member with Masonic ceremonies, without any word to any of the authorities of the Grand Lodge of Ontario (although the Grand Master of that Jurisdiction lived at and was actually in Sarnia at the time), it caused the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, to sever fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Michigan. Fortunately the matter was adjusted, and we note that the Special Committee of the Grand Lodge of Michigan states: "In the opinion of your committee there was technically an invasion of the jurisdiction of Canada." Had this admission been made in the first place, the incident would soon have been closed. Fortunately it is closed, and the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Canada "in the Province of Ontario," as he was careful to say himself, was a very welcome visitor to the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

The visit of the Grand Lodge Officers to Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, at Alexandria, Virginia, on the afternoon of February 22, 1911, at which meeting Grand Master SWIFT, assisted by his Michigan Brethren, conferred the third degree before a large number of visiting Grand



Masters, President TAFT, and a number of other distinguished visitors, is reported. We had the pleasure of being present, and were greatly interested in the manner in which the work was done; we confess, however, that we prefer the simpler way in which the work is done in this Jurisdiction, without the aid of accessories of any kind.

The Grand Master reported the gift by Mr. Ammi W. Wright, of the Alma Sanatorium in the City of Alma for a Masonic Home, to replace the burned Home, and recommended the placing of a suitable bronze memorial tablet on the wall in the lobby of the Sanatorium, which was approved. The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, or at least that portion of the former Grand Lodge of which "REYNOSO" is Grand Master, was recognized as the "legitimate successor to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico." We suggest that Brother WINSOR examine carefully the 1911 Proceedings of that Grand Lodge, with a view to determining whether the Grand Lodge, whatever it may claim to be, is really a *sovereign* Body.

"Keep their property properly insured" is to be one of the duties of the Lodges in Michigan, a wise one we think.

In his report as Grand Secretary, and in his report on Correspondence, Brother WINSOR gives his Grand Lodge its title "Most Worshipful," yet on the title page of his Proceedings he omits that title.

As these Proceedings contain the record of the election and installation of a new Grand Master, his portrait properly forms the frontispiece. We have also an interesting group of the other Grand Lodge Officers.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Right Worshipful Grand Secretary Brother LOU B. WINSOR, Past Grand Master, who, in obedience to the regulations of his Grand Lodge, must refrain from criticism of Proceedings, as well as from promulgating his opinion upon decisions, laws and regulations of his own or any other Grand Lodge. He has gathered much that will be of great interest to his



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Brethren. Pennsylvania was one of four Jurisdictions, which failed to reach him in time for a review.

Number of Lodges, including two new ones and three under dispensation, 417 (on page 21, the number seems to be 419); raised, 3912; total membership, 65,708, a gain of 2686.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES E. DILLON, of East Tawas, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother LOU B. WINSOR, of Reed City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MINNESOTA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota began its Fifty-eighth Annual Communication in the new Masonic Temple, in the City of St. Paul, at noon, on Wednesday, January 18, A.D. 1911, two afternoon and one morning sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. PATTON, Grand Master.

The informing address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is of more than ordinary interest from the replies to certain questions sent out by the Grand Master, who made a full summary of the answers, and showed by a diagram the various percentages in membership, attendance, and attendance at funerals.

We note that while the Grand Master in person laid the cornerstone of the St. Louis County District Court building, the Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, but was closed in form; what became of the Grand Master and his Deputy is not stated.

A number of interesting pictures are given in connection with the new Masonic Temple, the property of the Masonic Temple Association of St. Paul; it is a dignified structure, and in it the Grand Secretary has offices that comport with the importance of his Grand Lodge.

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An appeal from the Grand Master for the sufferers from forest fires in the northern part of the State brought \$2305.25.

The Grand Master decided that the aid of robes, scenery, and other accessories, in conferring the degrees, could not be permitted. We quote with pleasure some of his remarks on the subject:

“ On this subject permit me to say that, in my opinion, the desire to improve upon the rendition of the work is founded on a wrong hypothesis. It seems to be the feeling that the impressiveness and beauty of the degree is increased in proportion to the adornments added thereto. Such, however, is not the case, but, on the contrary, in the very simplicity of the work, as commonly rendered in our Lodges, in the past, and at present, lies its eternal vigor, and continuing power. When once we cease to depend on the unadorned work, and turn to side issues to awaken interest, we step from a rock to a quicksand footing. The new features soon pall upon the taste; and so, others must be added, to maintain the attractiveness; and this must continue *ad infinitum*, until the original purpose and intent of the degree is buried under the accumulated rubbish. Again, too often the work is looked upon as a spectacle to entertain the brethren, rather than, as it is truly intended to be, a sermon to edify the candidate.

“ Finally, Brethren, in considering this subject we cannot do better than to come to that realization of the true intent and purposes of our ritual, which is strikingly phrased by Kipling, in his poem, ‘ My Mother Lodge ’:

“ ‘ We ’adn’t much regalia,  
Our Lodge was old and bare;  
But we knew the Ancient Landmarks,  
And we kept ’em to a ’air.’ ”

On the subject of Fraternity, our Brother wrote forcibly; we quote the concluding paragraph:

“I believe a return must be had to the spirit of Fraternity, which originally inspired the creation of Lodges, and is even to-day the main spring of their life. I plead for a pervading brotherly love among Masons, not as an academic proposition, but as a living inspiration; not as a ritualistic dogma, but as translated into the terms of life, and expressed, not only in the Lodge, but in all the affairs of life.”

The Grand Orator, Brother CHARLES E. ELMQUIST, talked interestingly about some features of the responsibility which a Mason owes to his Lodge and the public.

Porto Rico was deferred, and Brazil, Portugal, San Domingo, and Switzerland were indefinitely postponed.

The recommendation of the Grand Master that the Washington Masonic Memorial Association be approved, and that the Grand Lodge appoint the incoming Grand Master and another Brother as its representatives to the Association, met with the favor of the special Committee, to whom the subject was referred, but their recommendation that the expenses of the representatives be paid did not meet with favor on the part of the Committee on Finance, whose report was adopted, “as the funds of the Grand Lodge do not warrant the necessary appropriation.”

The Grand Lodge thought that the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of England on June 17, 1717, should be observed, and appointed a Committee to bring the matter to the attention of other Grand Lodges. We understand that the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia some years ago suggested this celebration.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Brother IRVING TODD, who is an admirable summarizer. Unfortunately a portion of the edition of the Minne-



sota Proceedings were sent out without the report on Correspondence, much to the Chairman's regret.

Our Brethren may be interested in this, under Georgia, replying to Brother MOODY's declaration that a man cannot be a Mason and a Roman Catholic at the same time:

"Why bless you, Bro. Moody, the masonic lodge of which the writer is a member has more than half a dozen Roman Catholics upon its rolls, while the modern societies, such as the Workmen, the Woodmen, the Foresters, etc., are full of them. The matter rests entirely with the individual, and most likely is conveniently ignored in the confessional. We even know a knight templar Jew, a still greater paradox."

Under Maryland, our Brother justly observes that "Past Grand Masters are about as scarce in Maryland as ex-Presidents in the United States."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is excellently summarized, the matters of general interest only being noted, and our report kindly being regarded as "an able document."

Number of Lodges, 253; raised, 1443; total membership, 25,800, a gain of 838.

Most Worshipful Brother ELMER A. KLING, of Little Falls, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN FISHEL, of St. Paul, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## MISSISSIPPI—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Mississippi, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Ninety-third Annual Grand Communication in the City Hall, in the City of Gulfport, on Tuesday, February 21, A.D. 1911, and closed the following afternoon, three sessions being held the first and two the second day.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM M. CONNER, Grand Master.

Before the opening of the Grand Lodge, some exercises of a miscellaneous but interesting character took place, at which, besides Brethren, citizens of Gulfport and their ladies were present, who doubtless retired before the Grand Lodge was opened.

In Mississippi, it appears that when the Grand Master is present the Grand Lodge is sometimes closed in *due* form; we also note that the Grand Chaplain is well supplied with titles, in one place being "Most Reverend" (as if an archbishop), and in another "Right Worshipful."

The beloved Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master SPEED, was absent through illness, and the sympathy of the Grand Lodge was telegraphed to him, and he was later advised by wire of his unanimous re-election as Grand Secretary. This was the first time in nearly forty years that Brother SPEED was absent.

The excellent address of the Grand Master reviews his acts. In one case, he laid the cornerstone of a building which had been erected the year before, and while "he had precedent for his action in shoving the stone into a hole in the wall, he saw the awkwardness of the proceedings, and then and there made up his mind never to do so again," surely a wise decision, and refused to lay two cornerstones where the walls had already been completed.

One of his decisions was as follows:

"July the 4th I received the following: 'Our Lodge has an applicant for the degrees in Masonry, who is an ex-convict. He is otherwise all right. Does the fact that he has served a term in the state penitentiary disqualify him?' Answer. Most emphatically yes. None should be made a Mason except those under the tongue of good report and well recommended. I cannot conceive of such a thing as one being under the tongue of good report and coming well



recommended who has served a term in the state penitentiary. A man to be suitable to be initiated into the mysteries of Masonry must be a moral man, respecting the laws of the country in which he lives."

We are not in sympathy with our Most Worshipful Brother.

The Grand Master brought to the consideration of the Grand Lodge the matter of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, but, although the matter was referred to a special Committee of five, we fail to find any report.

The Committee on the State of the Craft submitted an interesting report, summarizing the replies to a series of questions they had sent out. It seems strange to find that, while 219 Lodges of the 258 which replied, "keep a copy of the Digest in the Lodge room so that it can be referred to," thirty-nine do not, it being further stated "most of these have no copy"!

Past Grand Master THOMAS, the Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Law and Jurisprudence, submitted his report, which he notes is, for the first time since he has been Chairman, unanimous, and which has to be sent out to the Master of each Lodge before the Annual Grand Communication. The following will be of interest to some, among them a distinguished member of Matinecock Lodge, No. 806, of Oyster Bay, New York:

"The Chairman is convinced that there is an increasing tendency in these strenuous days by courts of our country, both nisi prius and of last resort, to stray away from the ideals of the founders of the Republic, and to make, rather than to construe the law. Most of those who furnished the sinews of thought and of courage to those who participated in divorcing the ideals of the people from the principles of monarchy, and towards the doctrines of a government of the people, for the people, and by the people, were Masons. It



would seem, therefore, that the Masons of Mississippi by precept and example, should combat every tendency that would lead to a departure from the ideals of the fathers.

“The Chairman some time ago, began to believe that day by day this is becoming more a government of the lawyer, and for the lawyer. The only unlimited monarchies in America are the courts of last resort, and should those courts become infected with the virus, potent in the protection of those interests which is detrimental, to good government, and should the doctrine prevail that the courts and not the people, make the laws, a condition as bad as anarchy would exist.”

With regard to the following, we are like the Brethren . from Missouri:

“QUESTION 28—Mr. A, a young man of intelligence, took the Entered Apprentice Degree in B. Lodge. Soon after he went to New Orleans, bought a book, said to contain many of the secrets of Freemasonry, brought it home, read it until he knows it well, and now says he does not have the respect for Masonry he had before reading that book. He showed the book to other parties. Has he been guilty of Masonic offense?

“ANSWER—A Masonic offense has been committed. His statement as to his estimate of Masonry certainly show that he is not suitable material, and his use and handling of the alleged expose of Masonry, certainly constitutes a Masonic Offense.”

A movement has been started to provide a permanent home for the Grand Lodge.

The Masonic Orphans' Home seems in fine condition; Past Grand Master HOWARD received the thanks of the Grand Lodge for his generous gift of the Harry Howard Infirmary to the Home, which that Brother built and furnished.

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

From a report of the Committee on Appeals, we take the following, which meets with our approval:

“As Masons, we agree to pay homage to the Grand Master and presiding officer and representative of a Grand Lodge, and we further agree to conform to every edict of the Grand Lodge that is not subversive of the true principles of Free Mason. On inquiry we find, that Ancient Craft Masonry knew no laws other than those governing Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason's Lodges, and as every candidate is assured, there is no requirement which will conflict with his duty to God, his country, his family, his neighbor or himself. Your committee thinks every Master Mason is, and should be at perfect liberty to join any respectable organization he may select, or anything else but a Clandestine Blue Lodge, and hence we conclude that an edict of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge referring to degrees other than the three Blue Lodge Degrees, is a step beyond the legal powers and prerogatives conferred by the Ancient laws and usages of the Craft.”

It would be well to add, “unless such organization presume to usurp the powers of a Grand Lodge.”

As Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JOHN CORSON SMITH was the representative of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, the portrait of our late Brother is given. We note the statement, “All the highest honors of Masonry had been bestowed upon him.” We have been brought up to believe that the *highest honor* of Masonry was to be chosen Grand Master of Masons in a Jurisdiction; there can be nothing equal to or so high as that, that we know of.

As these Proceedings contain the record of the election and installation of a new Grand Master, his portrait properly forms the frontispiece.

The report of the Committee on Foreign or Fraternal



## MISSOURI.

Correspondence (we find both names) is, as usual, by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HARRY T. HOWARD, who still is chary with his own views.

It seems strange to him that a Grand Master should "grant dispensations to provide material for exemplification of the degrees on the occasion of his visits to the Lodges."

Under Maryland, referring to the limit of two minutes placed upon the visiting Grand Masters, our Brother well remarks :

"Imagine trying to bottle up a Grand Master when he thinks he has an idea that he must get rid of."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed, several quotations are made from reports of the Committee on Appeals, and other matters are briefly summarized, and it is said that this writer in his report "touches on many subjects in his interesting style."

Number of Lodges, including five new ones and four under dispensation, 352; raised, 1380; total membership, 18,147, a gain of 1025.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN S. BROOKS, of Lula, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FREDERICK SPEED, of Vicksburg, Grand Secretary, re-elected (Brother FREDERICK GORDON SPEED, of Vicksburg, Acting Grand Secretary).

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## MISSOURI—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Missouri began its Ninety-first Annual Communication in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, on Tuesday, September 26, A.D. 1911, and closed Thursday noon, three sessions being held on each of the first two days.



Most Worshipful Brother CLAY A. BIGGER, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait is given, is a well-prepared, thoughtful paper. We quote:

“It is a part of the eternal plan of the great Creator of heaven and earth that every human life should be a life of industry; a life of good deeds; a life of usefulness to his fellow man; living not so much for himself as for others; a life dedicated and devoted to making others happy; a life from which selfishness has been eradicated and in its stead glow love and compassion for those around him.

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“Freemasonry in its every word, every thought, every precept and every emblem, teaches this higher and nobler life. It seeks by its impressive ceremonies, by its precepts of high moral conduct and by its beautiful emblems, sublimely expressive, to instill into the minds of its votaries a love of this higher and nobler life. It seeks to implant in them a love for truth and virtue; to teach them the Divine attributes of love and compassion and charity for their fellow man; to despise hypocrisy and falsehood and wickedness; to know God and His holy will and to order his life in conformity therewith.”

All his decisions, with but one exception, met with approval. One which was approved, we think at least doubtful:

“3. Rose Hill, No. 550.—Question: Is a newly made Master Mason, who has not passed the examination on the first section of the Degree of Master Mason, he having just received said degree and having had no opportunity for such examination, eligible to vote on the petition of an applicant for such degrees. Answer: No.”

Missouri is fond of oratory; they have two Grand Orators, and both orated, Brother FRED S. HUDSON, on "Ideal Masonry," and Brother PERCY A. BUDD, on "Who Comes Here," both excellently.

The portraits of the venerable and much beloved Grand Tyler, Brother JOHN W. OWEN, and of the efficient Grand Lecturer, Brother J. R. McLACHLAN, are given in the Proceedings, in accord with a vote of the Grand Lodge.

The Masonic Home continues its beautiful work with great success.

The report of Fraternal Correspondence is a second time by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Reverend Doctor CHARLES C. WOODS, who says his Brethren will find "nothing especially new or startling," and that while they may see little to admire, trusts they may find less to condemn. In his introduction our Brother well says:

"The question of physical qualifications has shown itself the most fruitful cause of agitation, and rulings in the Masonic world, especially in our own land, and we fear that the ambition to magnify membership or to favor particular individuals is opening the door of the Lodge room so wide that almost any form of mutilation may hope for admission in the near future. One Grand Master has already ruled that a candidate, able, by the use of artificial appliances, to conform to the demands of the Ritual is eligible to the mysteries of Masonry. Which limitation is so flexible as almost to remove every barrier."

Our Brother, who we note is opposed to paternalism in any form, quoting Brother WRIGHT, under Florida, says:

"Of the last Decision, that 'a Subordinate Lodge cannot hold a meeting during the session of the Grand Lodge, etc., etc.,' he says it is 'unusual and new to the writer'—which is strange to us! If one Lodge may hold a meeting



during the Grand Lodge, every one may do so; and this being done, where is the membership of the Grand Lodge?"

As we understand it, each Lodge has one representative in the Grand Lodge, and we should think it quite possible, and with due regard to the regulations, for a Lodge, or any number of Lodges, to meet without the presence of their representative, so that he might be present in the Grand Lodge.

Brother Woods suggests, under Idaho, that "in our judgment any possible use of a key is of very doubtful propriety and altogether too modern in character to be tolerated in Ancient Craft Masonry," and, under Kentucky, that "whenever Masonry or the Church go into any business outside of purely philanthropic endeavor there will generally be found serious complications sooner or later."

Under Mississippi, we think with him that the decision shutting out any ex-convict too sweeping; he adds: "The case may be rare, but unquestionably there are some ex-convicts who 'come under the tongue of good report.'"

We regret to find that our Brother does not endorse the purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association at Alexandria, Virginia.

Pennsylvania for 1910 is considered. Grand Master GUTHRIE's address is

"a business paper from start to finish; there is no introduction, no invocation, no peroration, and sentiment is almost entirely absent. This is to be commended for much, although naturally it is of more peculiar interest locally."

Some paragraphs "touching the age of Masonry in Pennsylvania" are quoted.

Referring to "our carefully written report," our Brother states that this writer "finds some amusement over the weakness and mistakes of the Missouri Correspondent."



On this occasion we become like the Brother "from Missouri," and want to be "shown," as we are at a loss to understand Brother Woods's remark. He also notices that we have increased the number of Grand Chaplains to sixteen, and asks "How is this? Is it from a growth of grace or the consciousness of greater spiritual need?"

Our Brother had not noticed that several years ago we had twenty Grand Chaplains; but now it has been found that sixteen are sufficient to attend to the duties of that place. In New York, the Brethren manage to worry along with only twelve. We may answer our Brother's question by saying "The former."

Number of Lodges, including seven new ones, 618; initiated, 3662; total membership, 53,218, a gain of 2132.

Most Worshipful Brother ARCH A. JOHNSON, of Springfield, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN R. PARSON, of Saint Louis, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### MONTANA—1910.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Montana began its Forty-sixth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Helena, on Wednesday, September 21, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN LEE CARROLL, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait (accompanied by a biographical sketch) forms the frontispiece, shows a year of useful service. He prefaced his official report with a foreword, in which he said:

"Although through this long hot summer, the scorching rays of the sun have but infrequently been tempered by cooling showers, and our streams and rivers have dwindled far below their customary force and usefulness; and destructive

fires have devastated some of our magnificent forests, and laid waste and destroyed the habitations of man, and even human life was sacrificed to its ungovernable fury; still Masonry, the great civilizing force, has kept steadily advancing in its onward march."

His recommendation that "the Master remain uncovered at funerals, and upon all occasions when the public is admitted, to the end that our customs and usages may not become known to the profane," was not approved.

Dispensations were issued for seven new Lodges.

The Masonic Home has begun its beneficent work, but there seems to have been some friction in getting started, but we have no doubt it will soon be running smoothly; the *per capita* cost was in excess of \$1200, while in Nevada the *per capita* was \$236.

Two letters are given in relation to the testimonial presented to the Junior Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother NOLAN, but we are not told what form the testimonial took.

It is always well to add to the store of one's knowledge; we infer that Missoula, which is the home of a Classmate, is "the City of the Red Apple."

The Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother HENRY M. PARCHEN, having served his Brethren for *thirty-nine* years, refused a re-election. A Committee was directed to procure a testimonial "as a slight token of our appreciation of services well performed," and an appropriation made therefor.

In the "Memorial Page Set Apart to the Memory of the Revered Dead of Other Jurisdictions," we find the name of our Past Grand Master BROWN.

We confess it jars upon us to have the statement made with regard to work in a *Masonic* Lodge, that certain persons "had been carefully drilled and performed *their evolutions in regulation military style.*"



In beginning his second report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother H. S. HEPNER says:

“ We have subdued our inclinations to jest and settled down to sober work.

“ We find the older reviewers one by one passing into the Great Beyond, and younger hands wield the pens that make the hosts of the Round-Table.

“ One cannot expect the same wisdom and conservatism on the part of the latter as exercised by the elders.

“ When we joined our mystic order, youthfulness and vigor imbued us with a belief that many remedies and innovations might be applied to strengthen and adorn this hoary giant of the ages, but as we grow older our ardor is cooled, and serene judgment takes its place. We are more than ever inclined to make no ‘ inroads [*sic*] into the body of Masonry ’ and to preserve intact the Landmarks of the Fraternity.”

Our Brother comments upon the “ untidy manner ” in which a certain Grand Master reported his decisions.

Under District of Columbia, our Brother would have our Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT (who presented to the Grand Lodge of the District an umbrella stand with an elephant’s foot as a pedestal) know that “ some souvenir ” from “ this great and mighty hunter ” would be enjoyed by the Grand Lodge of Montana, which several years ago presented to our hunting Brother a gold nugget.

We shall ask Brother HEPNER next year to explain what he means by “ discovered among the ruins ” in the following, under Illinois:

“ Brother Bell attended the Philadelphia conference and gives full account of the proceedings and results, and incidentally discovered among the ruins a document in possession of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, being a portion



of the records of the Western Star Lodge, No. 107, at Kaskaskia, Illinois, which received dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the record bearing date of December, 1805."

Under Mississippi, our Brother declares his dissent from the Ancient Charges, requiring of one to be made a Mason "to be descended of honest parents":

"Only seven decisions have been rendered and among them we find one that a bastard cannot be made a Mason. We have expressed our views on the subject heretofore and believe this not to be good Masonic law. The accident of birth comes from no volition of the individual and an honorable and upright life is by far a greater recommendation and qualification than the misfortune of being born out of wedlock. This is an external qualification and not an internal qualification."

In this connection it is of interest to note that in his "*Constitution Postquam*," issued by Pope Sixtus V. in 1586, he debarred from the Sacred College of Cardinals "those born out of wedlock, even though they were legitimized by the subsequent marriage of their parents."

We trust that our Brother will not take it amiss, if we suggest that, when printing quotations, he place quotation marks about every paragraph quoted. A number of times we were about to mark for printing some telling words of our Brother, as we supposed, and later found they were part of one of his quotations.

In a little over a page, Pennsylvania for 1909 has been very briefly summarized, our Brother stating "the volume is full of the usual splendid statistical tables," and our report is mentioned.

Number of Lodges, including seven under dispensation, 70; initiated, 546; total membership, 5957, a gain of 472.

## NEBRASKA.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES W. SPEER, of Great Falls, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CORNELIUS HEDGES, JR., of Helena, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEBRASKA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska began its Fifty-fourth Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Omaha, on Tuesday, June 6, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, three sessions on the first and two on the second being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HARRY A. CHENEY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a very full and detailed account of his stewardship.

Under "Inter-State Courtesies" he says he is under special obligations to a number of Grand Masters, Grand Master GUTHRIE, of Pennsylvania, among them. He granted three dispensations for new Lodges.

He recommended the abolishment of the Station of Grand Treasurer, his duties to be performed by the Grand Secretary, and steps were taken to amend the Constitution to bring about this change. It should be said that the Grand Treasurer wished to be relieved of his duties. Due recognition of the valuable services of Brother DINSMORE was made.

Inasmuch as the first Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of England at the same time was the Deputy Grand Master, we suggest that rather than abolish the Station, the two (Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer) be combined.

The Nebraska Masonic Home has thirty-six inmates; the cost per capita was \$263.41.

The report of the Grand Custodian FRENCH is of more than usual merit (one of its merits, its poetry, will commend it to the Iowa Brethren).



The purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association were heartily and unqualifiedly endorsed, and \$100 was appropriated.

A special report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence stated:

“That, owing to a division of said Grand Lodge, occurring at a recent communication of the same, and what we believe to be the instability of organized Freemasonry in Mexico, we recommend that recognition of the Grand Lodge, Valle de Mexico, be withdrawn.”

and also recommended that the application of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be deferred, and their recommendations were adopted.

The Grand Orator, Brother ELMER W. BROWN, delivered an oration, from which we quote:

“Association naturally leads to an inspiration for greater emulation and activity, the beneficial effects of which cannot be measured, but will be felt by millions in the future ages.

“A very large number of the names recorded in the history of our country appear in the Masonic records. Such noble and patriotic spirits as that of Washington, Franklin, Hancock, Lafayette, Warren, and Paul Revere were active and loyal Masons. In fact, a large number of the best and most prominent and influential men in nearly all communities are Masons, and such have been the facts throughout the history of our country. The spirit of Masonry rocked the cradle of liberty at the time of the American Revolution, and it always has been one of the most potent influences toward the freedom of speech and independence of thought and action, not only in our country but throughout the civilized nations.”

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother CHARLES J.



PHELPS, his eleventh, and it is on the lines of its predecessors, our Brother culling matters of interest to his Brethren, and summarizing excellently.

Commenting upon the action of Arizona in recognizing the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, our Brother says:

“When the Grand Lodge of Belgium entered into fraternal relations, Drummond, writing for the Grand Lodge of Maine, said: ‘If a Grand Body holds Masonic correspondence with the Grand Orient of France and admits the members of its obedience as visitors, any Mason visiting any of the bodies of its obedience of such a Grand Body, is of course, liable to sit with and thereby recognize visitors from the Grand Orient of France, which we cannot allow the craft in Maine to do.’ We cannot believe that our good brethren of Arizona have, as they say, carefully considered the claims and request of the Swiss Grand Body, at least, not with a full understanding of all the entanglements of that body in its alliance with all manner of clandestine organizations, including, it is said, several negro organizations in America of the Prince Hall brand.”

Under Utah, the following is of interest:

“No Mormon has ever been made a Mason in any regular Masonic lodge in Utah, not because of any legislation by the Grand Lodge, for there has been none specifically barring them. It will be remembered that in 1842, at Nauvoo, certain Mormons obtained from the Grand Master of Illinois a dispensation under which a lodge was instituted, but its members abused their privileges, disregarded restrictions, and developed into a rebellious crew. The Grand Lodge revoked the dispensation, and declared the nearly 300 members made therein clandestine, and that ended all connection between regular Freemasons and Mormons. But that Mormons have an organization and secret ceremonies, peculiar,

and which could only have found an existence because of the participation of some of their leaders with the Nauvoo lodge, is recognized by well informed men."

Under one Jurisdiction, we regret that our Brother seems to allow himself to lapse from his usual courteous treatment of those who do not agree with him; he had reason to be annoyed.

We suppose that Pennsylvania for 1910 was issued too late for our Brother to include us in his review.

Number of Lodges, including three under dispensation, 253; initiated, 1201; total Master Masons, 18,507, a gain of 621.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY GIBBONS, of Kearney, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother FRANCIS E. WHITE, of Omaha, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEVADA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada began its Forty-seventh Annual Grand Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Reno, on Tuesday, June 13, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES C. DOUGHTY, Grand Master.

In his address, a straightforward paper telling of his acts during the year, the Grand Master, whose portrait (showing a decoration not Masonic) forms the frontispiece, pays a fitting tribute to their late Grand Secretary, Very Worshipful Brother CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWARE, who entered into life October 22, 1910. Brother EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, whom it has been our pleasure to meet at the Round Table, vested with his title of Grand Commissioner of Review, was appointed Grand Secretary, and, as was to be



expected, has more than made good. (We wonder how many will comment upon that signature of his! Brother SCOTT, of Illinois, suggests that the initial "E" is "a cross between Bunker Hill monument and the leaning tower of Pisa.")

The Grand Master recommended that when the Grand Representative has not been in attendance on the Grand Lodge's sessions for three years or more, his name be dropped from the list, his Grand Master notified, and another Brother recommended for the vacancy. This the Committee on Jurisprudence approved, and further recommended that no Brother represent more than a single Grand Lodge, and the Grand Lodge approved.

In the pages set apart to the memory of Grand and Past Grand Officers of other Jurisdictions, whose deaths have been reported during the year, we note, under Pennsylvania, "John Peter Shindel, Past Grand Master, Knights Templar of the United States, May 1, 1910." Unfortunately Brother GOBIN's last name is omitted. He was not a Past Grand Officer of Pennsylvania.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Commissioner of Review, mentioned above, who says of his report: "A deal of time and a sweet bit of patience has been consumed in its preparation, and a wider and more serious reading is urged for it."

Our Brother is opposed to "out of time ballots and conferring of degrees dispensations," saying, and we agree, "Better Masons come from the 'learn to labor and to wait' methods."

We are surprised, not to say pained, to note, under British Columbia, that our dear Brother gives the first line of that beautiful (!) song, "Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly?" inaccurately.

Our Brother is opposed to "regalia at a ball," very properly.



Under the District of Columbia, we quote:

“Bro. Baird, under Valle de Mexico, in discussing Belgium, says: ‘Our information is that Belgian Masonry exacts a belief in God and uses the Bible.’

“Our researches have compelled us to believe to the contrary. Bulletin of the Grand Orient of Belgium, 1900, page 236, reads: ‘In Belgium, as in France, we have, actuated by a spirit of philosophic tolerance, deleted in our ritual the indispensability of a belief in the G. A. O. T. U. with the result that some of the Grand Lodges have broken off their fraternal relations with us.’ During the summer we most carefully reviewed all the material submitted to us, and, while we cannot but admire the splendid, earnest work being done along benevolent and educational lines by the Belgian Brethren, we are of the opinion that Belgium still suppresses in her ritual the recognition of God. While our Sister does not care if a Lodge exacts a belief in God or uses the Bible, still professedly she likewise does not care if a Lodge discards both God and the Bible.

“When the corner-stone of a Masonic edifice is as shaky as that, it is in a pitiable state, and it is time to get from under.”

Under Kentucky, we are amused at our dear Brother's remarks upon Grand Master ORLADY's refusing permission in a number of instances to the giving of addresses and lectures that have been delivered in other Jurisdictions in our Subordinate Lodges. Our Brother need have no fear about the appointment of a Grand Licensor or a Board of Censors.

We are again amused, under Massachusetts, by our Brother's remark:

“The latest effusion from Pennsylvania in its claim to priority of chartered existence, the Carmick document, is easily disposed of by Brother Nickerson.”

Under Oklahoma, as to making a Mason at sight, we quote:

“The criticism, Brother, is not so much against either the Grand Master or the prerogative itself, as against ‘any other man,’ because the other man in every instance seems to be either a prince or potentate, an admiral or a president. Never in Masonry has a Grand Master found an ordinary, every-day-sort-of-a-chap worthy of this high prerogative, and yet there are thousands as worthy and doing more for the brotherhood of man. Why, some Masons begrudge giving the degrees, along the good old Masonic lines, to the Ministers of God without charge, and yet we know many such, who, on the scantiest of stipends are standing and enduring the brunt of the world, supremely sacrificing self for the good of their fellow-man. Won’t some Grand Master be so good as to select a man from the common walks of life and make him a Mason at sight?”

Our dear Brother is very sweeping in his assertion, too much so; we may tell him that a Pennsylvania Grand Master (Brother TENNIS) during his administration made four Masons at sight, in all cases the candidates being men only of local prominence, and not particularly distinguished in civil life or otherwise with perhaps one exception, but were friends and companions of the Grand Master in his youth, and the honor was conferred without any solicitation upon the part of any one.

Under Wyoming, our Brother makes a suggestion for some wealthy Lodge to follow:

“The Grand Master, in answer to a request, ruled that electric candles could replace the three wax ones. Rightly so, and amid the ease, pleasure and comfort of these modern days we bless ourselves and think it a luxury, but the three dimly burning wax tapers stir our fancies and set us dreaming, and we summon from the shadowy past the things



that once have been. The old tavern hall with its open hearth, its beamed ceiling and leaded windows, the massive oaken board with pewter vessels standing by and over all the gleaming tapers' light. Now that the taste for antiquities is rampant we hope to see some wealthy city Lodge reproduce such a Mason's Hall with all its homely, pristine charms. Why not?"

Our Brother follows his review with a "Digest of Decisions," which his Committee has compiled from the various Proceedings.

Our Brother begins his review of Pennsylvania for 1909:

"As usual this volume of proceedings is introduced by an engraving of the Temple in Philadelphia. The same dear old Brother at the side entrance is still taking his one last, long, lingering pull at his fragrant havana with a loth-to-part air, before returning into the sacred precincts of his lodge-room where the incense of the weed is strictly forbidden. Fine portraits of ancient Grand Masters and facsimiles of age-worn letters and warrants are an interesting feature of its pages.

"At the June Quarterly, the Committee on Appeals heard two cases, both arising on account of ballot-box stuffing. Now, if these cases occurred in the wild and woolly West—but in staid old Pennsylvania!! Well, the Committee attended to the culprits all right, but not with the severity of the West. Suspension seems a mild punishment for so grave an offense."

A long extract is made from Brother KRAUSKOPF's interesting address upon the "Torah," the ancient Scroll of the Law. Grand Master ORLADY's address is "a well prepared document. Aside from its business features, it contains much good counsel and advice."

Our report is kindly mentioned, and, that we may pay courtesy to our Brother, we quote his remarks with regard



to what "descended of honest parents" means, as we have before expressed ourself, simply remarking that we are still of the same opinion:

"True, Article IV of the Jan. 17, 1723, charges states that an apprentice should be descended of honest parents, but the following paragraph reads: 'No Brother can be a Warden until he has pass'd the part of a Fellow-Craft; nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden, nor Grand Warden until he has been Master of a Lodge, nor Grand Master unless he has been a Fellow-Craft before his election, who is also to be nobly born, or a Gentleman of the best Fashion, or some eminent Scholar, or some curious Architect, or other Artist, descended of honest parents, and who is of singular great merit in the opinion of the Lodges.' Surely this means that no Brother can be a Grand Master unless he has been Fellow-Craft before his election, and who is descended of honest parents. Why use the words 'descended of honest parents' in connection with Brother and Fellow-Craft if they refer to legitimacy of birth? Since becoming a Fellow-Craft his parents became dishonest. Is not this the meaning? Masonic principles invite the broadest interpretation. The older charges read, 'You shall be true men to God and His Holy Church, that you use not heresie nor errors in your understanding to distract men's teachings.' This in the charges of 1723 broadened into 'Tis now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that Religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves.' Let us follow in this path, and seek to expound the writing and teachings of Masonry with an open heart and a broad mind.

" 'O God! that men might see a little clearer,  
Or judge less harshly when they cannot see;  
O God! that men might draw a little nearer,  
To one another, they'd be nearer Thee,  
And understood.' "

Number of Lodges, 25; initiated, 107; total membership, 1771, a gain of 90.

Most Worshipful Brother HERMAN DAVIS, of Reno, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, of Carson City, Grand Secretary.

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## NEW BRUNSWICK—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick began its Forty-third Annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of St. John, on Tuesday afternoon, August 23, A.D. 1910, and closed the following afternoon, there being two sessions on the first day.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY SEABURY BRIDGES, Ph.D., Grand Master.

In the address the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, and whom the Brethren present at our September Quarterly Communication will recall, extended a cordial welcome to his Brethren:

“believing that we are members of a fraternity which, owing to the efforts that it has made to teach morality and practise charity, has been a very powerful factor in advancing Christian civilization throughout the world. The mission of Freemasonry is peace and good will, and the lodges of the Craft established in every part of the globe are engaged ‘in the noble work of teaching truth by that beautiful system of symbols so dear to us all.’”

He was active in visiting the Lodges, and successful in his administration.

An Especial Communication was held at Saint John, on May 20, and the Grand Lodge being called off, a Lodge of Sorrow in “Memory of His late Majesty King EDWARD



## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

THE SEVENTH, Most Worshipful Grand Master of The United Grand Lodge of England from 1874 until his Accession in 1901," was held.

An interesting address was made by the Grand Chaplain, Brother the Reverend GORDON DICKIE.

Two views of the Grand Lodge Hall are given, showing the catafalque in the centre.

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 38; initiated, 218; total membership, 2915, a gain of 133.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY S. BRIDGES, Ph.D., of Saint John, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother J. TWINING HARTT, of Saint John, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Hampshire held its Semi-Annual Communication at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Manchester, on Tuesday, December 27 (St. John the Evangelist's Day), A.D. 1910, for the purpose of exemplifying the work, three sessions being held.

The One Hundredth and Twenty-second Annual Communication was held at Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Concord, on Wednesday, May 17, 1911, morning and afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWIN F. JONES, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, shows the capable administration of a pleasant but uneventful year. This Brother felt for personal and business reasons that he must decline the re-election his Brethren would gladly have given him.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The year was "Masonically one of plenty, health and peace."

He reported the good work of the Masonic Home "goes on apace." We were interested to see a picture of their commodious building.

The matter of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association was referred to a special Committee to investigate and report next year.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is the fifth by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master, and now Grand Secretary, Brother HARRY M. CHENEY, and is almost entirely his own, there being but few extracts from addresses, etc., and is written in an interesting manner.

He explains, "it is the best we can do this time. It is an attempt to discover the chief things done by the Brethren of all other Grand Jurisdictions with whom we enjoy Masonic relations, and then to present them as briefly and pointedly as possible." Our Brother is very successful.

He thinks it would be better to have the Grand Master appoint his Deputy, making him in fact the Grand Master's representative. Very many years ago that was the custom in this Jurisdiction. He believed that no fee for affiliation should be required, so that it "should be made just as easy as possible for a non-affiliate to seek and obtain Lodge membership."

Under the District of Columbia, we have not been able to quite make up our minds as to our Brother's wonderment:

"That they have started a curio section in the new Temple is evidenced in their acknowledgment of the gift of an umbrella stand with an elephant's foot as a pedestal, presented by Brother THEODORE ROOSEVELT. We wonder if in time this will ever become as sacred as the single hair from GEORGE WASHINGTON'S head now in the possession of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts."

We agree with Brother CHENEY, under Kansas, that the expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters should be paid out of the Grand Lodge treasury.

Under Maine, our Brother, referring to Brother CHASE, says:

“It is his opinion that some of the most vital questions were not discussed by the Grand Masters in their conferences. Possibly they were discussed, but not reported.”

We are able to say that at the Philadelphia Conference, all the questions that were discussed were reported, and that the Conference was prolonged to the third day to discuss important matters; and as to the Baltimore Conference, while the report was not so full as that of the Philadelphia Conference, our recollection is that every topic discussed was mentioned in the report.

Under Oregon, our Brother explains “permanent members by election,” something which Brother HODSON had said was “something not found in other American Grand Lodges”:

“We had not before thought that in this respect we differed from other American grand jurisdictions, probably because we are so accustomed to the fact of our having it, but as far as we recall the Oregon correspondent is correct. Our Grand Lodge membership *ad vitam* is small, and our Constitution has a provision that anyone serving as an officer or on any committee ten years in succession may, by vote of Grand Lodge, be elected a permanent member, the election conferring life membership, with a right to vote. Our present number of members elected under that provision of the Constitution is only three, evidence that the privilege is not abused. It simply affords opportunity to give recognition for continued faithful service in subordinate position. Surely such kind of service ought to be rewarded, and New Hampshire has adopted this method. With this explana-



tion, we are quite sure that our Oregon brother will not condemn it."

We take it that our Pennsylvania Proceedings for 1910 were received too late to be included in our Brother's review.

Number of Lodges, 80; initiated, 427; total membership, 10,339, a gain of 79.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. WIGGIN, of Concord, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HARRY M. CHENEY, of Concord, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEW JERSEY—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New Jersey began its One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Communication at Masonic Hall, in the City of Trenton, on Wednesday, April 19, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, three sessions being held the first, and two the second day.

Most Worshipful Brother ALLTON H. SHERMAN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose engraved portrait forms the frontispiece, and who was a member of the "famous Class of '78" at Yale, as is the writer, the most distinguished member being our Brother the President of the United States, is a pleasantly written account of an active year's work, by a Brother who submitted a number of excellent suggestions, all of which with a single exception (which was laid over) met with approval.

We note the same inaccuracy of statement with regard to WASHINGTON's term of service as Master of Alexandria Lodge, No. 22, to which we have referred in this report under Iowa.

Our Brother's recommendation regarding the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, concerning which also



the Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, Brother CHARLES H. CALLAHAN, spoke interestingly, was approved.

The recommendation, which it appears was laid over until next year (relative to the examination of one raised to the degree of Master Mason as to his acquaintance with the ceremonies before being permitted to sign the Constitution) we find referred to, but we are unable to find in the address as printed in our copy of the Proceedings.

A delegation from Delaware, with our friend Past Grand Master MODE at the head, was cordially welcomed.

A movement was started looking to the purchase of land and the erecting a Masonic Temple; also one, looking to holding the Annual Communications at some place other than Trenton.

A Committee, at the head of which was our good Brother SHIRREFS, reported a revision of the Constitution, By-laws, etc.

If we may be pardoned a suggestion, it would seem as if the words "Most Worshipful" might well have been added before "Grand Lodge" in Article I of the Constitution, which reads "This Grand Lodge shall be styled and known by the name of 'The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient,' etc."; for we find Brother Grand Secretary WAKEFIELD repeatedly *styles* his Grand Lodge "Most Worshipful Grand Lodge," as do almost invariably all the Committees, the Committee on Jurisprudence included.

In our report last year, we noticed the New Jersey use regarding the opening of the Grand Lodge in *ample* form by a District Deputy Grand Master as well as by the Grand Master himself; it is continued this year, but it is not usual in many Jurisdictions.

We find an amendment offered regarding the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, but are unable to see wherein the original provision is amended (and our eyesight, we are

thankful to say, is very good), unless it be that in the amendment the words "annual proceedings" begin with capital letters. It occurs to us that this may be a delicate compliment to the capital way in which Brother SHIRREFS and Brother WAKEFIELD prepare respectively their report and the New Jersey Proceedings.

In his list, showing "Organization and Meeting of Grand Lodges," Brother WAKEFIELD still gives the date of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as *June 20, 1764*. In our report two years ago, we pointed out that that was the date of the *third* Provincial Warrant, but the first to reach this country, while the date of the first Warrant issued was July 15, 1761. In "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1727-1907," Volume 1, it will be found that, having been advised of the issuing of this third Warrant, the Grand Lodge was organized by the installation of the Grand Officers on *February 2, 1764*.

We find the name of our Grand Master GUTHRIE among the "distinguished Brethren," from whom letters and telegrams, expressing regrets at forced absence from the Annual Communication, were received.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is the work of the Chairman, Brother ROBERT A. SHIRREFS, with the exception of the translation and review of the eight German Grand Lodges, the Swiss Alpina and the Netherlands, which is excellently done by Right Worshipful Brother ADOLPH KLEE.

Brother SHIRREFS prepares a most readable report, summarizing cleverly and selecting judiciously, with telling, terse comments.

Under Illinois, our Brother confesses:

"The writer is no scrapper, and if we were thought to have 'mixed it up a good deal' on a certain subject, we were nevertheless discriminating as to whom we mix with."



Under Maryland, referring to the demonstration in honor of Grand Master SHRYOCK and his installation for the twenty-fifth time, our Brother writes:

“Some fourteen pages of speeches by the august visitors testify to their intense appreciation of Maryland Masonic hospitality. Judge Conover’s speech is about the only one not reported verbatim. The rest mingled their congratulations with earnest efforts to keep their own jurisdictions in view and they ranged from grave to gay, from lively to severe, as such notable orators could most ably and aptly do. Special prophylactic measures were referred to in the speeches, and at least, dread of danger from snake bites were seemingly aborted. Massachusetts and Pennsylvania Masonically came together, as usual, on the abiogeny, or perhaps, the primogeniture of their respective clans; quoth Pennsylvania: ‘I want to thank the distinguished brother from Massachusetts for offering us Benjamin Franklin, and I feel that from the way he got away from Massachusetts, stealing his passage on canal boats and walking through a snowstorm, he must have had a mighty good reason for leaving Massachusetts.’ Rejoined Massachusetts: ‘He made good after he got there.’ Pennsylvania’s come back was: ‘So he did; we made him a Mason in 1730.’ We had supposed that the controversy over which came first, ‘the hen or the egg,’ had been switched by the discovery of a real Masonic Grand Lodge in Philadelphia subsequent to the discovery of America, but distinctly ante-dating the currently accepted footing of Masonry in Massachusetts or elsewhere.

“Verily, New Jersey is well out of it, neither hens nor eggs first there, and Coxe don’t count.”

In a little over two pages, our Brother summarizes some of the doings and sayings in Pennsylvania for 1909.

The address of Grand Master ORLADY “is a delight to the reader. His majesty of felicitous diction, in which to



clothe Masonic ideas, ensures attentive perusal." Grand Master GUTHRIE's address "was a graceful and gracious acknowledgment of the honor and responsibility placed upon him by the 'gentle brotherhood.'" Our report is pleasantly noted, as well as some remarks by us, though we are given a title to which we are not entitled.

Number of Lodges, we think, 190; raised, 2328; total membership, 33,094, a gain of 1670.

Most Worshipful Brother LESLIE A. BURRITT, of Trenton, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother BENJAMIN F. WAKEFIELD, of Trenton, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEW MEXICO—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of New Mexico began its Thirty-third Annual Communication in the Hall of Roswell Lodge, No. 18, in the City of Roswell, on Monday, October 17, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK JOHNSON, Grand Master.

Exterior and interior views are given of the Hall of Roswell Lodge, showing a structure the Brethren may well be proud of.

The address of the Grand Master shows a year of faithful labor for the good of the Brethren.

Some Grand Lodges have a requirement that at least the Grand Master's address be read in the Lodges (others require all the Proceedings to be read); in Grand Secretary KEEN's report we notice this:

"The past year two lodges have reported to me, that at a stated meeting the Grand Master's address had been read in open lodge. I wish I could report to you that this re-

quirement had been more generally complied with by our subordinate lodges."

In a special report, Brother WROTH, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reports the division in the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and recommends that the recognition formerly accorded to that portion whose Grand Master is Brother JOSE J. REYNOSO, be continued, "with the distinct understanding that they shall be given another year in which to decide their attitude towards the Grand Lodge of France," which *permits* but does not require the Holy Bible to be upon its altars.

Sometimes Grand Secretary KEEN is very terse in his statements; for instance, "On motion, Past Grand Master Kelly, the election of Grand Officers take place at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning."

From a resolution adopted, we learn that there is a "Grand Secretaries' Guild," which holds meetings, as the resolution provides for Brother KEEN's expenses in attending its meeting.

The Kit Carson Home and the property adjoining it are to be procured for the Grand Lodge, looking into the future when a site for a Masonic Home may be needed.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JAMES H. WROTH, and we have enjoyed it more than usual, as we have more of our Brother than last year.

Our Brother does not think well of dispensing Masonic charity through Masonic Homes, "although it seems popular," and says it is one of the duties of the Correspondent "to make 'darkness light and crooked things straight to his confreres.'"

Under Canada, we quote with approval:

"In spite of his declaration we still think that a Master is an autocrat and responsible only to the Grand Lodge or

the Grand Master, or the Grand Master's representative. The minute we degenerate a Master into the position of a presiding officer, that minute we are doing something contrary to the fundamental law, and it is a matter of surprise to us to note that lodges and Grand Lodges seem to regard Masters and Grand Masters as creatures of their own invention, and the moment either one of these officials does something which is allowed by the Ancient Charges but denied by that particular Lodge or Grand Lodge, there is immediately something doing in that neighborhood. In our mind the action of these bodies in this matter is like the tail wagging the dog."

Under Massachusetts, he pays tribute to Brother NICKERSON:

"We regret to note the death of Brother Sereno D. Nickerson, for twenty-seven years Grand Secretary of Massachusetts.

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"He was a firm believer in the Ancient Law and a still firmer believer in the age of his own Grand Lodge, and between himself and Pennsylvania there was always a good-natured discussion going on and the rustling of old documents with new ideas.

"Both Massachusetts, largely due to Brother Nickerson, and Pennsylvania stand out as repositories of the Ancient Craft; they with some other jurisdictions, are a beacon light for others to follow. Thank God, they have never been inoculated with the insane desire to legislate upon everything under the sun, as well as facts that exist under the earth."

Under South Dakota, our Brethren will be interested:

"The attitude of the nearest jurisdiction is not always a safe test [for recognition], and I cannot bring myself yet



to this view even though England recognizes Grand Lodge Alpina and refuses the same to the Grand Lodge of France, which latter is on good terms with Alpina. Ancient Masonry, whether on account of a strong lack of intensive philosophy in olden times, or from the equally strong religious feeling amounting at that time to almost a blind faith, has put itself on record and consistently and persistently demanded a belief in a tangible God. At that time, speculative dissensions on religious matters left that one truth standing out in full relief and it was not until after the French Revolution did such speculations attack openly and defiantly the belief in Deity. Alpina, while approving and using the Great Light, is engaged in the philosophical researches that other branches of the Masonic tree have endeavored to cultivate, and while some can discuss and think over such matters of belief without at bottom altering their old views it is a dangerous doctrine to be spread before the Masons who are not and probably never will be prepared for it. Masonry's demand for a statement of belief is made in such a way that there can be no quibbling, no evasion nor argument. Personal views and rambling theories must before its altars come down to the concrete, and our work tells why it is made and when. I possibly am not a Christian as the world goes, but after years of dabbling in scientific matters, familiar as a student with the German and French metaphysicians on their own platforms, I am glad to be able to thank Masonry for its unyielding stand in this matter. The sermon is over and now to review the volumes added to the library this year."

From our Brother's excellent conclusion, we quote:

"As I look backward upon the past year it strikes me we are becoming entirely too progressive and insurgent and have overlooked the conservatism of our Craft. Unless somebody, who commands more respect than I do, begins

to call a halt upon this tendency there is no telling to what extent it will be carried. We pride ourselves upon adherence to the faith of our fathers, and yet we are as bad as a theological convention as to our definition of what that faith means.

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“Modernism has no place with us—we have nothing in connection with any other order. We belong to ourselves and to ourselves alone, not in a conceited sense but in the sense of trying to prove to the world that our professions are true, that our acts are right, and that we believe what we profess. It is up to us to make good; it is up to us to show before the world that Masonry is a power, that it is a creed, that it is an active working factor in the improvement not only of ourselves but of the world at large, and on us as members has fallen the duty of so ‘letting our light shine that we may glorify our Father who is in heaven.’”

Pennsylvania for 1909 is considered, and possibly the following was written to get a rise out of us:

“This Grand Lodge holds quarterly and annual meetings. Owing to the fact that they claim with another jurisdiction the honor of being the oldest Lodges in the United States, they never put down how many years they have met. We presume it is somewhere about fifty or sixty.”

We may say that if we had had our way in the Committee of Arrangements, an invitation to the celebration of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our Independence as a Grand Lodge, would have been sent to Brother WROTH and to all our fellow Chairmen of Committees on Correspondence.

A number of extracts are given from Grand Master ORLADY's address. Brother WROTH differs with our law, regarding Masonic burial, thinking Entered Apprentices



and Fellowcrafts are "eligible" for the same. We agree with him that these Brethren are Masons and have rights, but burial with Masonic honors is not one of these rights.

A number of quotations are made from our report. We may say again that we were interested to know how it came about that the particular terms "in form," "in due form," and "in ample form," came to be applied to the opening of the Grand Lodge when done by certain officers or Brethren, but the desired information has not been forthcoming. Our Brother, referring to this writer, says:

"He takes issue with us in quoting another correspondent regarding our stand on the Queensland matter but in his analogy we think he has confused another Mexican Lodge with Valle de Mexico. Better look it up my brother."

If we understand Brother WROTH, he refers to the following in our 1909 report, under West Virginia, page 500:

"Under New Mexico, referring to the recognition of Queensland, he [Brother HOWARD] states that he will 'stick to the doctrine enunciated and maintained in the formation of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia, that three Lodges are necessary to establish a Grand Lodge in a territory not possessing one.' This doctrine we adhere to, but find it difficult to see how our Brother, in recommending that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico be recognized, where it is admitted that one Lodge was divided, without any lawful warrant, into three Lodges for the express purpose of furnishing the three so-called 'Lodges' necessary to the formation of a Grand Lodge, is 'sticking' to the doctrine he upholds."

In order that our Brother may "look it up" and satisfy himself that we were *not* "confusing another Mexican Lodge with Valle de Mexico," we refer him to the Proceedings of that latter body for 1902, page 22; and for 1905, page 82.



Certainly the statement, "This Lodge was divided into three and thus was founded the first Scottish Rite Grand Lodge in the Republic," to be found on the latter page, is in startling contrast with the statement, "As the first Lodges to form the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were chartered by New York and were of York parentage, what more proper, etc.," to be found on page 102 of the 1911 Proceedings.

That we may let our Brother express his views, we quote:

"Our views regarding Queensland have already been annunciated [*sic*]. It is not, as some of our correspondents would advocate, that only three lodges are necessary but as Mackey says there must be *at least three lodges*, and whereas in Queensland they had over 130, certainly it was not the intention of Masonic jurists to allow the tail to wag the dog by letting *three lodges only* drive the rest into a Grand Lodge."

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 39; initiated, 236; total membership, 2572, a gain of 191.

Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD L. MEDLER, of Albuquerque, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother ALPHAEUS A. KEEN, of Albuquerque, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEW SOUTH WALES—1910.

THE United Grand Lodge of New South Wales of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons held its usual Quarterly Communications in September, December, A.D. 1909, and March and June, 1910, and Special Communications on August 2, 1909, for the installation of the Grand Master, April 25, 1910, for the report of the Grand Master as to a particular Lodge with which there had been trouble, and for the consideration of the proposition to erect a new Masonic

Temple in Sydney, May 20, for a memorial service in honor of King EDWARD VII, and June 7, for the nomination of Grand Lodge Officers, all of which, with the exception of the installation Communication, were held in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Sydney.

Most Worshipful Brother H. MONTGOMERIE HAMILTON, Grand Master.

The Grand Master took office under difficult conditions, and he was fortunate in his address at the June Quarterly, to be able to say:

“I need not refer to the circumstances under which you elected me to this high position further than to say that the year commenced amid such excitement, and high feelings, as had never been known among Masons before, and I sincerely trust will never obtain again; its close sees peace, love and harmony once more reigning throughout our jurisdiction, and if I am, as I hope, remembered in the future as having worked earnestly throughout my term to secure that end, I shall feel that I, in some measure, justified the confidence reposed in me, and that while retaining the esteem and affection of my friends I merited, at least, the respect of those who opposed me.”

We believe that Brother LORD CHELMSFORD was duly elected Grand Master, yet the record does *not* record the fact.

The Brethren decided to proceed slowly in the matter of building a new Masonic Temple.

At the September Quarterly, the following were *elected* as the Committee on Foreign Correspondence: Brothers T. L. ROWBOTHAM, THOMAS GREEN, L. WHITFIELD (13), A. WUNDERLICH (8), E. CHATFIELD KING, and W. S. SCHEY, but when their report is submitted we find the first two Brethren are missing, while H. M. SALENGER (7) is added, as is G. C. KING (8); perhaps Brother CHATFIELD KING's



first initial is G. (The numbers in parenthesis indicate the number of reviews prepared by the Brother. Two of the reviews are unsigned.)

The Brethren have prepared a report that must interest the Craft, quoting from addresses and reports, and summarizing judiciously, but generally refraining from giving their own views.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well summarized by Brother WHITFIELD, and an extract taken from Grand Chaplain KRAUSKOPF's address in connection with the ancient Scroll of the Law, presented by Brother JOHN WANAMAKER.

Brother WHITFIELD says, referring to Grand Master ORLADY's address:

"We notice one very valuable piece of work done in this Grand Lodge—that is, that during the past year an earnest effort was made to put into form the decisions of Past Grand Masters and the reports of committees approved by the Grand Lodge. This resulted in the compilation of decisions aggregating over 1000 pages of typewritten matter, and when this work is put in a convenient form it will be of great value to the Craft in that jurisdiction."

He also mentions that "the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales for 1907 [1908] receive fraternal recognition by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence." Our Brother apparently did not see the rest of the report. We have noticed that some of the writers pay little, if any, attention to any portion of reports on Correspondence except that relating to their own Jurisdiction, which tends to narrowness.

Number of Lodges, 228; initiated, 1867; total membership, 14,819, a gain of 1051.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency LORD CHELMSFORD, of Sydney, Grand Master; Very Worshipful Brother ARTHUR H. BRAY, of Sydney, Grand Secretary, continued.



## NEW YORK—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York began its One Hundred and Thirtieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of New York, on Wednesday afternoon, May 2, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, morning and afternoon sessions being held on those days.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT JUDSON KENWORTHY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a straightforward account of a year of delightful, even if at times very responsible, service. We have had the pleasure of meeting Brother KENWORTHY on several occasions, and our Brethren will be interested in some words from his introduction:

“Masonry is not political in the sense in which you and I are partisans; but I do maintain there is a relationship between Masonry and good citizenship to which our Craft must awaken if it is to fulfill its highest mission. The making of Masons will be for nought if we simply continue impressing our novitiates with its secrets and its mysteries. The lesson inculcated in the charge to our Entered Apprentice is of the gravest import to our day and generation. You know the words—are we alive to their importance? Do we repeat them slowly, looking our Brother straight in the eye, and making him feel their application is way and beyond the secret work of the Craft; that they fit him to face his duty in the world; to spread the light of his example and the force of our Masonic precept and teachings, and help him to become a better and stronger part of our civic life? Our influence, because of the knowledge we possess, should be the greater as we go in and out among our fellow-citizens; and if we will broaden our views as to the purposes of the Craft, and make of it an expansive, unselfish brotherhood,

we will give to our Masonry an illumining power penetrating beyond the confines of our tiled doors, our whisperings and mystic signs—a radiance which will carry its message—like God’s sunlight, among all men.”

Among the dispensations, we note one that is unusual, as it seems to us, for a Grand Master of *Masons* to issue, namely, to unveil a bust!

Dispensations were issued for eight new Lodges.

A very happy solution of the Daniel D. Tomkins Memorial Fund was found in its use to erect, at the Home, at Utica, the Tomkins Memorial Hospital. The Home cares for 197 men, 113 women, 50 boys and 65 girls, a total of 425. Of the 60 employees, 37 reside in the Home.

The report of the Judge Advocate gives 29 opinions in as many cases, covering a variety of topics. That industrious official has prepared a Digest of Decisions, in which he has incorporated such matters to be found in their Proceedings from its organization as his experience led him to think advisable. This is to be copyrighted.

Our friend, Past Grand Master SCUDDER, offered some resolutions as to jewels, which we confess are not altogether clear; it would seem that a Brother may wear two jewels of his office at the same time: “one now loaned by the Grand Lodge for use during tenure of office,” and another “emblematical or symbolical” of the office.

The Grand Representative system gave Brother KENWORTHY trouble, as it did his predecessor, Judge SAWYER, and the following was adopted:

“*Resolved*, That hereafter all accredits for Grand Representatives from other Grand Lodges shall be for not exceeding three years, and that any sister Grand Lodge not desiring to commission a Representative subject to that resolution, be still held in fraternal relations, but without exchange of Representatives.”



A committee of five was appointed to organize and establish under the auspices of the Grand Lodge an employment bureau, to assist Masons, their children, wives, and widows, in obtaining employment, a truly fraternal undertaking.

Last year, the Grand Lodge received a bust of Grand Secretary EHLERS, this year it was so fortunate as to receive one of Past Grand Master SHEARER, the Nestor of the Craft in New York; both are the work of Brother GUTZON BORGLUM.

In a few happy words, the Grand Master, before closing the Grand Lodge, emphasized the duty of avoiding profanity.

In the absence of the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM SHEARER, the third time in forty years, the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Brother EMANUEL LOWENSTEIN, who, with the Chairman and Brother EMIL FRENKEL, makes up the Committee.

Their report consists of cullings from addresses and reports, with occasional summarizings, "all without comment or expression of personal views," they holding they are "*chroniclers not critics.*"

With regard to recognition of Grand Lodges, the Committee tell us:

"The standard set by this Grand Lodge, and which is followed by most of the Grand Lodges in the United States, still stands, to-wit: A belief in God, pre-requisite to admission, the Bible upon the altar, origin in ancient Craft Masonry, and absolute control of the Craft in the Jurisdiction."

This is excellent, but we should like to be shown how the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, for instance, sizes up to this standard.

We notice with pleasure that at the head of the twelve Grand Chaplains stands the name of the new Suffragan



Bishop of New York, the Right Reverend Brother CHARLES SUMNER BURCH, D.D.

Number of Lodges, 803; initiated, 9952; total Master Masons, 168,714, a gain of 5373.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT JUDSON KENWORTHY, of Brooklyn, Grand Master, re-elected; Most Worshipful Brother EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, of New York, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### NEW ZEALAND—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of New Zealand held its Twenty-second Annual Communication in the Choral Hall, in the City of Christchurch, on Wednesday, May 10, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, three sessions being held on Wednesday and one on Thursday.

Most Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER JAMES WHITNEY GRIFFITHS, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland permitted a Lodge which had been dormant and removed from its list of Lodges before that Grand Lodge had recognized the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, to be reopened. We trust the letter which was ordered sent to the Grand Lodge of Scotland may produce the fraternal action deserved.

New Zealand favored the suggestion made, first if we recall in South Australia, that for *hygienic* reasons "each Candidate should be provided with an inexpensive copy of the Sacred Writings on which he would seal the obligations in the several degrees"; and it is not in favor of allowing that the son of a Master Mason (a Lewis) is *of right* entitled to be initiated at the age of 18 years, and "each case should be considered on its merits before the Grand Master is advised to grant the necessary dispensation" under the local Rule 100.

An interesting discussion arose regarding taking out accident policies for Provincial Grand Masters when travelling on official business; the matter was allowed to drop.

In his address after his re-election and installation, the Grand Master contrasted the conditions twenty years before and now. Then the total number of Lodges in the Dominion were 147, of which 85 were under the English Constitution, 15 under the Irish Constitution, and 47 under the Scotch Constitution. Now there are 183 Lodges under the Grand Lodge of New Zealand, with 40 English, 4 Irish and 12 Scotch Lodges. During that period over \$100,000 had been given to charity.

A new officer was created, Grand Lecturer.

A fitting acknowledgment of Masonic worth was made in conferring the honorary rank of Past Grand Master upon Most Worshipful Brother F. C. BINNS, who had been Pro Grand Master in 1906 and 1907.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is the second by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALFRED H. BURTON, whose report last year was so favorably received.

We like the following, under Illinois, where he quotes an "amusing" paragraph from Brother SCOTT's review of New Zealand:

"The Grand Master is the Provincial [*sic*] Governor and variously alluded to in the proceedings as 'Lord Plunket,' 'His Excellency' and 'Baron.' It requires so much labour, time and space to give all the titles and distinctions shown by our British and provincial brethren, that it appears as a genuine relief to be an American."

and then adds:

"This is distinctly good; but does not our erudite brother realise that perhaps one may feel, not merely relief, but joy in proclaiming himself a Briton; or, for the matter of that, a New Zealander? Well, patriotism is a grand



thing, and the feeling one to be encouraged and admired, even if there is occasionally developed the spread-eagle variety. At all events we shall never quarrel on the subject."

Under Kansas, our Brother quotes the two sentences of the oration of our Brother Mr. Justice PORTER (remarking, "Here is another little occurrence not widely known"), regarding which we have had something to say in this report, under Kansas, to which we ask Brother BURTON to turn.

In our report last year, in reviewing New Zealand, we felt that we were safe in quoting, without exactly knowing its meaning, the word "Kapai," which Brother BURTON had used; this year, we are glad to have him explain, under Missouri, that it is "a Maori word, expressing decided approval."

Pennsylvania for 1910 had not been received when our Brother's report was submitted.

Number of Lodges, 179; initiated, 959; total membership, 11,558, a gain of 799.

Most Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER J. W. GRIFFITHS, of Blenheim, Grand Master, re-elected; Most Worshipful Brother MALCOLM NICCOL, of Wellington, Grand Secretary, continued.

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## NORTH CAROLINA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of North Carolina began its One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the City of Raleigh, on Tuesday evening, January 10, A.D. 1911, and closed Thursday morning, three sessions being held on Wednesday.

Most Worshipful Brother RICHARD N. HACKETT, Grand Master.



The address of the Grand Master is interesting and earnest. In recording the "Fraternal Dead," he mentions a Pennsylvania Brother, the late General JOHN PETER SHINDEL GOBIN, who was not, however, an officer of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

We learn to our surprise that the Oxford Orphan Asylum, which "is the brightest jewel," as the Grand Master says, "that sparkles in the diadem of North Carolina Masonry," shows no preference to any child by reason of kinship with Masons. In fact, only a very small per cent. of the children in the institution are in any way connected with Masons.

Our North Carolina Brethren are very generous.

Dispensations for nine new Lodges were issued.

From his peroration we quote:

"Have you any sweetness anywhere! Fear not to waste it on the desert air. It cannot be wasted when God has called it forth. We all have our burdens and I have been bound down with woe, but could I speak peace to some sorrowing soul, the weight on my own grows lighter and the burden falls away. I find my sky o'ercast with gloom, and can I but point out the sun to a brother's darkened life, I find myself soon basking in its effulgent rays. I've sometimes seemingly suffered the whole of hell's despair, nor found relief till I could take the cup of bitterness and woe from a brother's faltering lips and bid him lean on me while we climbed the heights, whence we could see the light of life and the land of solace sweet.

"And sometimes when dark shadows fall and the rains pour like a wild deluge and the clouds like gray, gaunt, ghost-wolves, sweep swiftly by, let us but sound the signal of distress—we will receive back the electrifying, wireless, soul-spark of human love, the sinking sun will break through the clouds crowding them back in beauty, leaving the bright

bow of promise, silvery calm, which stands like a memory of glory gone and smiles sweet, earnest of the dawn to come."

Only fifteen of the 30 District Deputies were present.

The resignation of the aged and beloved Superintendent, Brother Colonel W. J. HICKS, on account of old age and declining health, to take effect February 1st, was announced. We are sorry to see that two days after the close of the Grand Lodge this faithful Brother received his summons to the Grand Lodge on High.

The Grand Orator this year was Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother FRANCIS D. WINSTON, who took for his topic "Masonry," and put his thoughts into verse.

In the report of Grand Librarian BRADLEY he notes the reception of "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1772 [*sic*, 1727]—1907, as shown by the records of Lodge No. 2, A. [*sic*] F. and A. M., compiled from original sources."

The Grand Master, who was prevented by illness from being present at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 22, 1910, recommended that the Grand Lodge endorse the proposed memorial, which the Grand Lodge did, and appointed as its representatives the Grand Master and Brother M. C. S. NOBLE, and both attended this year.

The report on Correspondence is as usual by the Chairman, Brother Doctor JOHN A. COLLINS, who gleans industriously and summarizes with judgment, rarely expressing his views.

Under California, we quote:

"So far as negro Masonry is concerned, the Grand Lodges, north, south, east and west seem to hold practically the same views on this subject. Any observant man must see that if New Jersey desired, or approved, or connived at the creation of negro lodges, instead of one feeble lodge of that kind she would have very many. Nowhere in America



or anywhere else can be found a finer body of Masons, living up to the ideals of the Craft and practicing its tenets than in New Jersey."

Under Ireland, referring to Brother MEREDITH's remarks as to Brethren in some Jurisdictions not being strict about not initiating persons who are not resident in the immediate locality of the Lodge in which they are to be initiated until due inquiry has been made of the Masons in the neighborhood in which these people reside, Brother COLLINS says:

"If the Grand Lodge of Ireland were to adopt the course pursued by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, namely to forbid Masonic recognition to these enterprising candidates for Masonic degrees, there would be fewer of these cases to report."

With regard to Brother JOSEPH MONTFORT being the "first, last, and only Provincial Grand Master of North America," which in our 1909 report we referred to, Brother COLLINS says:

"Brother Schultz is correct in stating that there were provincial Grand Masters before Montfort, and he is sustained by the record, but in every one of these appointments the Provincial Grand Masters were limited in their territorial authority. For instance, one of these was for New England, another for New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and a third for North America, but with this saving provision, 'where no other provincial authority existed.' It is not improbable that Joseph Montfort was the *last* Provincial Grand Master appointed by the Grand Lodge of England, in 1771, only a few years before the breaking out of the Revolutionary War and the severance of the colonies from the mother country. — We are not informed whether there was any Provincial Grand Master who was contem-



poraneous with Montfort, but it is almost sure that he was the first to hold unrestricted jurisdiction over all America, and probably the last official of this rank to represent the authority of the Grand Lodge of England. The 'Deputation' or commission of Joseph Montfort shows that he had unlimited territorial authority in America."

It may not be without interest to the Brethren in this country to see the list of Provincial Grand Masters so far as they are given in the printed record of the Grand Lodge of England ("Moderns"). It should be said that, as these appointments were the personal prerogative, dispensations were granted of which no record is given in the printed, or indeed in any of the records, of the Grand Lodge.

From the list it will be seen that the name of HENRY PRICE, who died May 20, 1780, does not appear until the 1784 publication; that Brother MONTFORT's appointment is not noted; that there were a number of appointments contemporary with Brother MONTFORT's, and that Brother PEYTON RANDOLPH was appointed for Virginia in 1773, two years after MONTFORT's appointment.

We think it is hardly to be supposed that the DUKE OF BEAUFORT, who appointed EGERTON LEIGH for South Carolina in 1770, would the following year by his appointment of JOSEPH MONTFORT "of and for America," intend to interfere with Brother LEIGH's jurisdiction.

In the English "Constitutions" of 1738, under the heading "Deputations sent beyond Sea," the following will be found:

"Norfolk Grand Master granted a Deputation to Mr. Daniel Cox to be Provincial G. Master of New Jersey in America." (1729.)

"Weymouth Grand Master granted another to Mr. Roger Lacy, Merchant, for constituting a Lodge at Savannah of Georgia in America."

“ Loudoun G. M. granted one to Robert Tomlinson, Esq; to be Provincial G. M. of New England in America.” (1736.)

“ Another to John Hammerton, Esq; to be Provincial G. Master of South Carolina in America.” (1736.)

“ Darnley G. M. granted another to Capt. Richard Riggs to be Provincial G. M. of New York.” (1737.)

The years in the parentheses are taken from the next edition.

In the 1756 edition of the English “ Constitutions,” there is “ A List of Provincial Grand Masters deputed by and under the Protection of the Grand Master of England,” from which we find that deputations were granted:

“ In 1742 [1743], by Lord Ward Grand Master To Thomas Oxnard, Esq; for North America.”

“ In 1747, 1748, 1749, 1750, 1751, by Lord Byron Grand Master ” four, among them

“ To William Allen, Esq; Recorder of Philadelphia for Pennsylvania in America.”

“ To Francis Goelet Esq; for the Province of New York.”

“ In 1752, 1753, by Lord Carysfort Grand Master ” six, among them

“ To George Harrison, Esq; for the Province of New York.”

“ In 1754, 1755, by the Marquis of Carnarvan Grand Master,” ten, among them

“ To Peter Leigh, Esq; Chief Justice of South Carolina for South Carolina.”

“ Jeremiah Gridley, Esq; for all North America, where no Provincial is appointed.”



In the 1767 edition of the "Constitutions" we find that LORD ABERDOUR, who was Grand Master in 1758-1762, appointed

"George Elliot for the Province of Georgia.

Burgeon Smith, Esq; Speaker for the House Assembly at Carolina for Carolina."

LORD BLANEY, who was Grand Master, 1764-1767, appointed

"The Hon. Presley Thornton, one of his Majesty's Council in the Colony of Virginia, and his Majesty's Lieutenant Colonel of the County of Northumberland."

In the "Appendix" of 1776, bound up with some of the 1767 edition, we find that HENRY DUKE OF BEAUFORT appointed, in 1770,

"The Hon. Egerton Leigh, Provincial Grand Master for South Carolina."

and in 1773, LORD PETRE appointed

"Hon. Peyton Randolph, Esq; for Virginia."

In the list of Provincial Grand Masters in the 1784 edition of the "Constitutions," all that we find for this country are the following:

"America, North, H. Price, Esq., of Boston."

"Georgia, Hon. Noble Jones."

"Maryland, Henry Harford, Esq."

Neither the 1909 nor the 1910 Pennsylvania Proceedings are noticed by our Brother. Why, we cannot say.

Number of Lodges, including ten under dispensation, 405; initiated, 1480; total Master Masons, 20,846, a gain of 832.



Most Worshipful Brother RICHARD N. HACKETT, of Wilkesboro, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN C. DREWRY, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## NORTH DAKOTA—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of North Dakota began its Twenty-second Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Grand Forks, on Tuesday, June 27, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN J. HULL, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is the work of a thoughtful and vigilant Brother. Our Brother is a native of Erie in our Jurisdiction.

The new District Deputy system was put into operation by our Brother, and it has been very satisfactory in its workings. He was present at the 1911 meeting of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, or, to give it its correct name, "The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association," and he recommended the appropriation asked for of \$100, and the Grand Lodge left the matter to the judgment of the Grand Master and the Finance Committee.

He issued dispensations for five new Lodges.

An interesting event of the year was the unveiling of the monument to the late highly esteemed Grand Secretary THOMPSON.

In accordance with Grand Secretary STOCKWELL'S recommendation, hereafter a more adequate report is to be given by the Foreign Correspondent, with more adequate compensation for his labors than formerly.

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The report of Brother STOCKWELL as Grand Librarian shows good progress.

The Grand Orator, Reverend Brother LAWRENCE G. MOULTRIE, delivered a lengthy address on "Masonic Duties," which we all could read with profit.

The report of the Committee on Good of the Order dwelt upon two topics, "The Peace Movement in Its Various Activities," and "The Burden of Tuberculosis and Its Prevention."

In the record it is a little amusing to read, regarding a certain report, "After some little manœuvring, the main question was put," and the report adopted. We are pleased to see that the Grand Master appointed "two tried and trusty veterans" to conduct the election.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended that fraternal relations be entered into with the Grand Lodge of Norway. It may be said that this Grand Lodge does not have, and, indeed, as we understand it, does not claim to have, sole and exclusive Masonic jurisdiction over Norway.

The same Committee recommended that the York Grand Lodge of Mexico be recognized as the legitimate successor of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico; but made no recommendation, for lack of sufficient data, as to the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina. This report was adopted.

The report of the Foreign Correspondent, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JAMES W. FOLEY, consists, as it has for some years, of "a digest of decisions of the various Grand Masters as reported in Proceedings of 1910," and is more interesting than valuable. We do not find any Pennsylvania decisions.

Number of Lodges, including five under dispensation, 101; raised, 646; total membership, 8006, a gain of 427.

Most Worshipful Brother ROBERT MORRISON, of Pembina, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WALTER L. STOCKWELL, of Fargo, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## NOVA SCOTIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nova Scotia began its Forty-fifth Annual Communication in the Lecture Hall of Acadia University, Wolfville, on Wednesday, June 8, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held the first, and two the second, the morning of the second day being given up to a trip to the new Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home at Windsor, which had been dedicated on August 25, 1909, with appropriate ceremonies, a full account of which is given in these Proceedings.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, Grand Master.

During the morning session, a procession was formed and the Brethren went to St. John's Church, "where Divine Service was held taken part in by Reverend R. F. Dixon, Rector." The sermon was by the Grand Chaplain, Reverend Brother WILLIAM DRIFFIELD, upon "Humanity, Fraternity, Piety and Loyalty."

The Grand Master of Prince Edward Island, Most Worshipful Brother W. P. DOUALL, accompanied by Past Grand Masters DARRACH and CRABBE, was a welcome visitor.

The address of the Grand Master shows in detail the work of a faithful and diligent Brother.

It is pleasant to find the Fraternity in such a prosperous and satisfactory condition.

The Freemasons' Home has begun its blessed work.

We see that in his list on page 314, Grand Secretary MOWBRAY gives the date of the organization of our Grand Lodge as June 20, 1764. We have had something to say regarding this date, under New Jersey, in this report, to which we may refer our Brother.

The appointment of a Grand Historian was authorized, but we find no appointment. It is best to make haste slowly.



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The report on Correspondence is by Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Brother THOMAS MOWBRAY, the Grand Secretary, and is prepared on the same successful lines as its predecessors.

He is fully able to take care of his Jurisdiction, and is good tempered and discriminating.

Under Delaware, he says:

“ Brother Jackson says he has only one criticism to make in reference to our proceedings, and that is concerning the ‘ escort of the Grand Lodge by a large number of Royal Arch Masons ’ on the occasion of the meeting of our Grand Lodge in Yarmouth in the year 1908. Well now, don’t you know, on the Square, as Masons say, we rather agree with our distinguished and respected brother’s criticism but tell it not in Gath for we dont all see alike even in little, harmonious Nova Scotia. Thanks Brother for letting us down so easily and on a subject we wont fight over for one single moment.”

Under the District of Columbia, he ventures a suggestion for the Canadian Grand Lodges:

“ What a grand idea it would be to have a meeting of all the Grand Masters of Canada, it could not be otherwise than have a beneficial effect upon the Heads of the Craft in our fair Dominion, and be of lasting benefit upon the Fraternity generally. Who will be the first to move? Dont all speak at once.”

Under Maryland, he speaks of our Grand Master ORLADY:

“ By invitation of the Grand Master an oration was delivered on the happy occasion by M. W. Grand Master, George B. Orlady, of Philadelphia, and needless to say it was eloquent, instructive and deeply interesting.”

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“ By a unanimous vote the Grand Master of Pennsylv-

vania, M. W. Bro. George B. Orlady, was made an honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland. Certainly a fitting compliment to a most estimable man and Mason, and the present head of that Grand Lodge of which the Grand Lodge of Maryland is a daughter."

Under West Virginia, we quote his pleasant words:

"From the account given by the Grand Master of the Conference of Grand Masters held in Philadelphia in January last it is easily seen that the gathering was a notable one, the Conference composed of such brilliant men, such eminent Masonic Jurists cannot help being of lasting benefit to the Craft. The visiting Grand Masters were royally entertained by their Pennsylvania Brethern."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well considered in about five pages, and important matters noted.

Quite a number of quotations are made from Grand Master ORLADY'S "excellent address, very interesting, and, as usual, full of Masonic information."

We quote:

"Grand Master Brother Guthrie is following a strong man. Judge Orlady made and left his impress for the good of the Craft not only in his own jurisdiction but far beyond it, and our only hope is that the work so well done by that distinguished member of the Fraternity will be seconded by his worthy successor. We admired Brother Orlady for his zeal, for his big-heartedness for his doing well whatever was worth doing at all, and our very best wishes go out to the Brother who follows him in the Grand East."

Brother MOWBRAY states that this writer, before whose name two initials are placed to which we are not entitled, while our middle initial ("M") is denied us, "in a full and decidedly interesting manner reviews the Proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges."



Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 72; initiated, 490; total "subscribing members," 6037, a gain of 364.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK, of Wolfville, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother THOMAS MOWBRAY, of Halifax, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## OHIO—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio began its One Hundred and First Annual Grand Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Columbus, on Wednesday, October 10, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, two sessions being held, and the afternoon of the first day being given up to a visit to the Masonic Home. We note for the first time that we can recall this statement in connection with the annual Grand Communication: "Escorted by Mt. Vernon Commandery Knights Templar, and with a thousand Master Masons in the line." Whence the Grand Lodge was escorted, and why, are not stated. Personally that sort of display does not appeal to the writer.

Most Worshipful Brother B. F. PERRY, Grand Master.

Of the nineteen living Past Grand Masters, eighteen were present.

The next time we have the pleasure of seeing Ohio's genial Grand Secretary, we shall have to ask the Judge what, in a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, are "the Grand Honors appropriate to the exalted rank" of, for example, "the Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America"!



The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is an interesting paper, concluding with these sound words relating to the Craft:

“In conclusion, my Brethren, permit me to again call your attention to the rapid growth of the Order, and to say to you that in my judgment its strength is not determined by numbers, but rather by the character of its membership. If Masonry is to fulfill its mission among men, you must guard well the portals to our sacred altars.”

Under “Foreign Relations,” we note:

“GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

“On January 19, 1910, as the guest of Franklin Lodge, No. 221, F. & A. M., of Pittsburg, I attended a reception and banquet given in honor of R. W. Bro. George W. Guthrie, on his election as Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania. It was a most delightful gathering, and the Brethren by act and word gave expression to the cordial fraternal relation existing between the two Jurisdictions.”

In reporting the constitution of a new Lodge, the Grand Master closes as follows:

“It was to me a very interesting Communication throughout, and the closing ceremony, the installation of a Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge as the Tyler of the youngest Lodge in Ohio, made a deep impression on all present. I had the satisfaction of knowing, however, that I had posted a Sentinel who would guard the approach to this new Lodge with the same fidelity that has characterized his whole Masonic career.”

Grand Secretary BROMWELL, in his twenty-second annual report, has kind words for the Grand Masters under whom he has served the Grand Lodge.

The recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence that its Chairman

“should be authorized to enter into correspondence with other Grand Lodges looking toward the establishment of a basis of requirements essential to all Bodies asking recognition and exchange of Grand Representatives, hoping thereby to secure uniformity upon this subject among all the Grand Lodges of the world ”

was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is the first (and it would seem for a time at least, the last) from the pen of the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother WILLIAM A. BELT, who took up so well and completed the unfinished work of Past Grand Master CUNNINGHAM. We quote his modest introduction to his Ohio Brethren :

“ We here bring to you, from the shores of the great busy Masonic Sea, shells washed shoreward by the force of its doings. Profit will come to you, we hope, if you will study these results of activity. And those that please you, place on your mental charm string. If only one little shell is thus stored away by each one of our Craftsmen, we are abundantly rewarded for our labors.”

A limit of 200 pages was given our Brother, and he has kept well within his limit, but necessarily curtailing his consideration of the reports on Correspondence; he also says :

“ This being our first ‘trick at the wheel,’ we have had little to say of our fellows around the ‘table,’ or their work. For the good things said of us by the more seasoned, as well as the admonitions, we are thankful.”

Our Brother summarizes the interesting matters he meets, and comments pleasantly from time to time; as, for instance, under California :



“the retiring Grand Master was presented with something that he and his family could enjoy and constantly be reminded of his friends; instead of the usual *plate* front, that reminds one of *the one* that will be tacked on our final couch, he received *plate* in the shape of a silver service.”

Under Illinois, we quote, referring to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico:

“After two years of thorough investigation, and the expenditure of \$136, a Committee on the Establishing of Fraternal Relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico brought in a divided report. However, after all evidence was heard, it became evident that twenty-eight American Grand Lodges and seven Foreign, by hasty and ill informed action, have established relations with a clandestine body. Illinois did not make this mistake, but turned the request down, just as all of us should have done.”

Under Montana, our Brother writes:

“The names of Lodges and towns in the report are unusual and lined up thus—The ‘Pony’ was ‘Roundup’ in a ‘Chinook’ by ‘Helena’ wearing a ‘Ruby’ in ‘Big Timber’ with a ‘Silver Bow’ and its ‘Golden Fleece’ was brought through the ‘West Gate’ by the light of ‘North Star’ into ‘Red Lodge,’ ‘Deer Lodge,’ but it was a ‘Butte.’”

From his conclusion we quote:

“College clubs, or Lodges, as they are trying to make them, composed of those in and about an institution of learning, belonging to our Order, are increasing. Yale has one with a membership of sixty. And related to this feature is the fact that many college libraries are accumulating Masonic literature. The drift of these clubs is toward a study of our Institution’s history, symbolism, and literature. This we are glad to see. So while active Lodges ‘labor’ these college clubs may enjoy ‘refreshment.’



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

“ American Grand Lodges have not thought well of the foreign habit of permitting membership in their Lodges by members of other Jurisdictions. South Carolina, however, grants such rights now.

“ Lodges, the members of which are all of one calling or profession, have been asked for by doctors and lawyers the past year, as is also common in some foreign Grand Lodges. They have not met with success we are glad to announce, although there are a very few made up of actors, meeting in the day time. Such grants would defeat the distinguishing feature of Masonry.

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“ The meeting of Grand Masters east of the Mississippi River at Philadelphia, the guests of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and the meeting afterward of all Grand Masters of the United States as guests of the Grand Lodge of Maryland at Baltimore in 1909, brought forth a series of common ground agreements. These have been submitted to the various Grand Lodges during the year, but met with very little favorable action, as did also the strenuous efforts put forward by some Grand Masters to form some kind of a General Grand Lodge.

“ This last feature of their meetings adds another chapter in the long line of defeats that this proposition has had in the past one hundred years. And as nearly every Grand Lodge has since added their positive disapproval of ever having such an organization, the question of a General Grand Lodge seems settled for all time in the negative.”

As to the last extract, our reading seems to differ from our Brother's, as we have noted quite general action in favor of the recommendations of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences. Our Brother should have said “ the strenuous efforts put forward by *one* Grand Master,” not “ *some* Grand Masters,” “ to form some kind of a General Grand Lodge.”

## OKLAHOMA.

Pennsylvania for 1909 ("Founded in 1732 and 1786") receives more than two pages of summary, our Brother noting:

"There is no dearth of Sky Pilots down East, but perhaps they find use for them: the Grand Master-elect appointed fifteen Grand Chaplains."

After speaking of the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown and "the Brother Thomas R. Patton School," Brother BELT says:

"If all this is accomplished, and no doubt our Pennsylvania Brethren can do it, this will be the greatest place in all Masonry. Strange as it may seem this Grand Lodge is 'unincorporated,' simply a 'fraternal association.' 'We deal with each other under agreement among gentlemen, fortified with our fraternal obligation,' they say."

A number of Grand Master ORLADY's decisions are quoted, and our Brother says he would be glad, did space allow, to speak of "the good things" in our report, giving us a title that does not belong to us, being only a Past Master.

Number of Lodges, including 5 "number not assigned," 525; raised, 4879; total membership, 79,501, a gain of 3525.

Most Worshipful Brother H. S. KISSELL, of Springfield, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JACOB H. BROMWELL, of Cincinnati, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## OKLAHOMA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Oklahoma began its Third Annual Communication in the Scottish Rite Temple, in the City of Guthrie, on Wednesday, February 8, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, three sessions being held daily.

It would seem that a usage has been adopted in this Jurisdiction, and that when the Grand Master opens the



Grand Lodge, it is in *ancient and ample form, in due and ancient form* when done by the Deputy Grand Master, and in *ancient form* when done by any other Brother; the minutes of the Emergent Communications have some variations. In one case, the Brother who presided was the (acting) Deputy Grand Master.

Most Worshipful Brother GEORGE RUDDELL, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a business-like paper. He reports "a wonderful year's work for the Grand Lodge, and the two departments which have overshadowed all others are the establishing of the home at Darlington and the promulgating of the ritualistic work adopted at the last session."

Dispensations were issued for 18 new Lodges. The "District Deputy Grand Master System" is very successful, and those who have served as such and all hereafter appointed are made members of the Grand Lodge.

The erection of the Washington Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, the Grand Master thought "a laudable undertaking and one that deserves the support and assistance of all the Grand Jurisdictions, especially within the confines of the United States."

The Grand Master gives a copy of his letter to the Grand Master of New Jersey, advising him of the action of the Grand Lodge in refusing fraternal relationship, adding:

"Concluding this unpleasant duty, I beg to advise that I have never received a word of reply to this communication from the Grand Master of New Jersey."

We cannot help wondering just what reply our Most Worshipful Brother expected.

The Grand Orator, Brother WILLIAM H. TALMADGE, took for the subject of the Masonic Oration, 1911, "Who is My Brother?"



The Brethren are optimistic regarding the Home at Darlington, believing that they "have a foundation for the greatest Masonic Home on the face of the globe." Their Committee have worked most faithfully, notably Past Grand Master MULDRÖW, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at the Baltimore Conference. A number of donations were "presented formally" to the Masonic Home, including "hose cart and reel of hose," and a "large steam boiler."

"The Oklahoma Mason" was made "the official organ" of the Grand Lodge.

The report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances is admirable for its conciseness.

In the afternoon of the first day, the Grand Lodge was called off, and the children from the Home gave an interesting entertainment.

An amendment to the By-laws was adopted, increasing the annual assessment from one dollar to two dollars and twenty cents. Of this ten cents per member per month goes to the Masonic Home Fund.

An amendment to the By-laws (which, as printed, is a little out of plumb) was adopted relative to the Junior Warden conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree, and the Senior Warden, the Fellowcraft Degree, which contains this proviso:

"Provided, however, that the Master may call upon any competent member of his lodge or any present or Past Master of this or any sister jurisdiction to confer any degree, but no other Mason."

Portraits of the outgoing and incoming Grand Masters are given, and a cut of the building "where 1911 Convocation was held."

The Committee on Correspondence, of which Grand Secretary ANDERSON is the Chairman, reported that the report

on Foreign Correspondence was written by Dr. S. M. BOND, which later appears as the "Foreign Correspondents' Report."

We note with pleasure that next year, our Brother Judge THOMAS C. HUMPHREY is once more to take his place at the Round Table.

Brother BOND has reviewed the proceedings of 36 Jurisdictions, an improvement over last year when only 12 were reviewed, Pennsylvania not being included either year. We shall hope Brother HUMPHREY can do better.

Our Brother has prepared an informing report, selecting interesting excerpts, and gives commendation pleasantly where deserved.

Our Brother has no use for ciphers. Under Kansas, he says:

"The question as to what and how the penalty should be applied when an Official Cipher has been lost came up for consideration. Happily we have no trouble along that line, as we do not believe in that manner of revealing the secrets of Master Masons. We are of the opinion that members who learn the work from mouth to ear appreciate it more, and also get in closer touch with his brothers and forms a greater love for one another as they work and study thus together."

As last year, we find no statement of the number of Lodges (except the addition of 22 "to our roll of Lodges from last year") which we think would make the number about 415. The Grand Secretary gives some figures as to initiations by each Lodge under "Masonic Home Fund Receipts," in his financial report, but does not give the aggregate or the number of members.

Most Worshipful Brother ALEXIS EDDLEMAN, of Marietta, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM M. ANDERSON, of Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## OREGON—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Oregon began its Sixty-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Portland, on Wednesday, June 14, A.D. 1911, and closed Friday morning, morning and afternoon sessions being held the first and second days.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES E. WOLVERTON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a well-prepared paper by a busy Brother, all of whose "opinions" were approved. (Our Brother is the United States District Judge for the District of Oregon.)

He heartily approved the purposes of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and, without committing the Grand Lodge to further payments, the sum of one hundred dollars was appropriated for the expenses of the Association, so that all contributions may be applied to the purposes of the memorial.

We find in the record of the second morning:

### "RECEPTION OF BISHOP SMITH.

"The Grand Master announced that a distinguished visitor in the person of Bro. Bishop Smith of St. Johns Lodge No. 219, of Pittsburg, Pa., was in attendance and the Grand Master appointed a committee to introduce the worthy Brother, who was received and welcomed to a seat in the East."

The Right Reverend CHARLES W. SMITH, D.D., LL.D., is a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, residing in the City of Portland, Oregon. He is a life member of our St. John's Lodge, No. 219, and a brother of Brother LEE S. SMITH, of our Committee.



Under the heading, "Grand Orator's Address," we also find:

"The Grand Orator, Bro. George E. Davis, being unable to be present or a printed copy of the same being unavailable, the Grand Lodge then proceeded with the regular Order of business."

Permission was given to print the address, if received within a reasonable time, but we fail to find it.

The most important matter before the Grand Lodge was the revision of the Constitution and By-laws. It would seem as if this would have been a good time to insert in the title of the Grand Lodge the words "Most Worshipful" before "Grand Lodge." While these words are omitted on the title page of these Proceedings, they are repeatedly used elsewhere.

In preparing their revision, the Committee seem to have been strongly influenced by Massachusetts. In that Jurisdiction, the Deputy Grand Master is appointed by the Grand Master, and the Committee so recommended for Oregon; but apparently this recommendation was *not* adopted, as we find a Deputy Grand Master elected. In Massachusetts, there is no Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and the Committee on Revision omitted this Committee from the list of Committees, but we note that Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother DAVID P. MASON was re-appointed. Why this recommendation should have been made, we cannot imagine, unless possibly it was intended as a tribute to the late Past Grand Master HODSON, whose work was so fine as the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

We were interested in the tributes to this distinguished Masonic reviewer. We made note of his death in our last report.

In Oregon, we see that when a Brother ceases to be the *Most* Worshipful Grand Master, he becomes a *Right* Worshipful Past Grand Master. This until recently was the

custom in Massachusetts, and is still the custom in Scotland.

The vote by Lodges was against the Home system; but as there seemed to be a feeling that in the course of a few years such a Home will be necessary, steps were taken towards the creation of a fund looking to that object.

A new officer, Grand Pursuivant, having been created, he is to have "a Grand Lodge Apron and Jewel appropriate for said office."

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Right Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother DAVID P. MASON, who succeeds Past Grand Master HODSON, and who, in spite of only having less than a half year for the work, has prepared an interesting and informing report. In his introduction, he explains:

"In the preparation of this report I will not attempt to discuss Masonic Jurisprudence or to find fault with the doings of my brethren whose acts I may be unable to endorse, but will merely review their proceedings and leave those who may read the report to draw their own conclusions."

and on these lines his report is prepared.

At times he drops easily into the "editorial we." He rarely expresses his views, but we note, under Alberta, he thinks "the singing of the National Anthem could well be followed by our American Lodges." It does not seem to us to be desirable.

Our Brother is observant, noting, under South Carolina, that while the Grand Master mentioned four Special Communications, the Proceedings of but two are given.

Pennsylvania for 1909 receives two pages of notice, beginning (we have corrected two typographical slips in the names):

"Four Quarterly Communications, one Emergency Communication are reported in the ponderous volume of 512



pages which embraces Pennsylvania for 1909. The book is given a peculiar charm by its containing portraits of two Past Grand Masters, one of Brother William Ball, Grand Master in 1761, the other of Brother Thomas Kittera, Grand Master in 1826. In their Colonial garb and admirable dignity these portraits are unusually attractive."

Referring to our various funds, our Brother says:

"They make exceedingly interesting reading, though the figures are staggering to us in smaller jurisdictions.

"We congratulate Pennsylvania on the broadness of her grasp of opportunity for good works."

Our report is noted (our name being misspelled), Brother MASON concluding:

"Oregon, 1909, has courteous consideration though we are twitted again about our order 'That the proceedings be read in each lodge immediately after the receipt thereof' and we are asked what if anything is done to enforce the order. Let us clear the title page of this order or bone of contention."

Number of Lodges, 124; initiated, 947; total members, 10,781, a gain of 856.

Most Worshipful Brother THOMAS M. BALDWIN, of Prineville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JAMES F. ROBINSON, of Portland, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—1911.

THE Grand Lodge held its Thirty-sixth Annual Communication in the Masonic Hall, in the Town of Summerside, on Wednesday, June 29, A.D. 1911, there being three sessions.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM STEWART, Grand Master.



The address of the Grand Master, who was compelled by family reasons to be out of his Jurisdiction for several months, reports another successful year. We quote:

“We have abundant cause of thankfulness to the ‘Giver of all good’ for the continuance of prosperity with which He has blessed us. Our empire, (to which we are proud to belong), has in the historic event of last week—the coronation of our beloved King and Queen—given a demonstration of loyalty and devotion which has evoked the admiration and sympathy of the whole civilized world; our country is at peace with the world, and prosperity has crowned her enterprises. We rejoice at the prospect of arbitration between the different branches of the Anglo-Saxon world, and trust that this is the beginning of the fulfilment of the prophecy that nations shall learn war no more, and that peace on earth and good will to all mankind will prevail.”

During his absence in Mexico, he visited one of the Lodges there, and

“became acquainted with some very estimable brethren who have nobly stood up for the best in English Masonry and have resisted with considerable self-sacrifice the tendency in certain sections to obliterate the old landmarks. These brethren deserve the cordial and fraternal assistance of the English Masons throughout the world.”

We sympathize with our Mexican Brethren, but we believe Masonry, as present constituted, is not on a true and proper basis in that country.

We like the spirit of our Brethren of the Committee on Correspondence:

“Your committee have not made any attempt to review the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges with whom we

are in fraternal correspondence, but take this opportunity of thanking the reviewers who have made kindly comments on our 'little but good' Grand Lodge; and assure them we will continue to work along similar lines, endeavoring always to improve. To those who criticize our course in not publishing a review and ascertain that we are a minority, and very small minority at that, we would answer that the minority if small is respectable, embracing as it does England, Ireland, Scotland, Australia, New Zealand, and indeed almost the entire Masonry recognized by these throughout the World, excepting only the majority of the United States and half of Canada.

"To the few who have passed us by from year to year with the remark 'a pamphlet of—pages, devoted wholly to local matters. No correspondence' we would say that in this Jurisdiction Masonry is not measured by the thickness of the volumes of proceedings or the size of the type in which it is printed."

The same Committee (consisting of Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters W. P. DOUALL, now Grand Secretary, and NEIL McKELVIE, and Right Worshipful Past Junior Grand Warden Brother HENRY E. WRIGHT) reported

"that we are in full accord with the Grand Master's idea of the improved conditions as the outgrowth of the separation of Mexican and Anglo-Saxon Masonry in Mexico; but in view of the fact that neither the body which now calls itself The York Grand Lodge of Mexico or the new body with the old name Valle de Mexico have sent us any formal request for recognition and exchange of Representatives we cannot advise that any action be taken in the matter at present."

and the matter was allowed to stand over.

As these Proceedings contain the record of the election and installation of a new Grand Master, his portrait properly



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forms the frontispiece. We have as a "Foreword," a sketch of the Brother's life, and we confess we should be glad to know, when he "was admitted an Attorney at Law" in 1885, why in the next year he "was called to the bar."

No general report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 14; initiated, 44; total membership, 737, a gain of 6.

Most Worshipful Brother HECTOR C. MACDONALD, of Charlottetown, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother W. P. DOUALL, of Charlottetown, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## QUEBEC—1911.

THE Most Worshipful, The Grand Lodge of Quebec, Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons began its Forty-first Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montreal, on Wednesday, February 8, A.D. 1911, and as the Grand Master-elect, who had been seriously ill, was unable to be present at the evening session, a session was held the following morning for his installation. The hour at which the Grand Lodge was opened is not stated, but it was before noon, as there were three sessions the first day.

Most Worshipful Brother J. ALEXANDER CAMERON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows an earnest and faithful Brother.

He had some timely words upon "the one of the basic, cardinal principles of Freemasonry—Benevolence," asking the Brethren "to seriously consider whether as an institution, as a Grand Lodge, our charitable and benevolent energics are being developed and exercised in proportion with our gradual increase in numbers and with the general increase in the material prosperity of the community."

The Grand Master spoke of the difficulties which had arisen through an illegal Lodge, "Emancipation," which was



established about 1897 by the Grand Orient of France, and which was generally spoken of as "the French Lodge." As there are on the register of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, two regular Lodges bearing French names and with a membership exclusively French Canadian, it is easy to see how these might be more or less accurately referred to as "French Lodges." "Emancipation Lodge" made itself notorious at the time of the holding of the Eucharistic Conference of the Roman Catholic Church at Quebec, in 1910.

In Quebec, it appears that the Grand Master, in case of the death of the Deputy Grand Master, appoints a successor for the remainder of the term.

Our experience has fully justified the leaving of the appointment of the District Deputy Grand Masters entirely in the hands of the Grand Master, without any expression of preference on the part of the Lodges in the District.

One of the two new Lodges for which dispensations were granted was "The University Lodge," which is under the guidance of several graduates of McGill University, resident in Montreal, including some distinguished members of the teaching staff of the University.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, Brother "Judge" DANIEL FRASER MACWATT, was a very welcome visitor.

Grand Secretary WHYTE, in his report, under Library, says:

"Both the Grand Lodges of Iowa and Pennsylvania have favored this Grand Lodge Library with Histories of their respective jurisdictions, for which we are much indebted."

From the report of one of the District Deputy Grand Masters, it appears that in this Jurisdiction there is no prescribed form for installation of officers.

A discourse was delivered by one of the District Grand Chaplains, Brother Reverend J. G. HINDLEY, on "The

Emancipating Function of Masonry," in which he spoke of emancipation from provincialism, commercialism, and materialism.

We note a variety in giving the title of the Grand Master: on one page we find "the M. W. Grand Master," "the M. W. the Grand Master," and "the M. Wor. Grand Master"; on another page we also see "the Most Wor. the Grand Master." Surely there is some variety.

A very interesting and impressive Emergent Communication was held in Windsor Hall, Montreal, as a memorial for "the late Most Worshipful Brother King EDWARD VII, Protector of the Craft," on May 20, 1910, the date of the funeral of that distinguished Brother. One of the addresses was made by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master APGAR, of New Jersey. At the Annual Communication, a donation of one hundred dollars was made to the fund for the King Edward Memorial.

From the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address, we quote:

"Your Committee cannot too strongly approve the refusal of the Grand Master to reply either through the public press or otherwise, to the false attacks that have been made in this city and elsewhere, against our Fraternity. The only reply necessary is that furnished by the lives and conduct of our members, by the benevolence of the fraternity and by that constantly extending desire for light and knowledge which leads so many of our best citizens to petition for the degrees of Freemasonry, as illustrated by the fact that while the average increase in Lodge membership both in Canada and the United States is now slightly above 18 per cent. that in the Province of Quebec is in excess of 22 per cent.

"It is most satisfactory to know that prompt measures were taken by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary to correct the impression that French lodges of our obedience



were involved in certain scandals and so-called plots which every Mason in our jurisdiction knows were imputed to an irregular association which only exists here in violation of our jurisdictional right."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother EDWARD T. D. CHAMBERS, and in his introduction he also refers to the growth of Freemasonry in the Jurisdiction of Quebec, as he did in the report we have quoted from above.

From his conclusion, under the head of "Soi-disant Masonry," we quote:

"Not many Grand Lodges, we are glad to say, seem to fall into the sentimental error of hugging every association and every individual who are able to pronounce the Masonic shibboleth. Some were in a hurry to recognize certain bodies of Mexican Masonry, and are now glad to withdraw such recognition. We trust the lesson may not be thrown away.

"That monstrous libel upon legitimate Freemasonry which dares to assume its name and garb, though unilluminated with its Great Light, should have no countenance whatever in the Masonic world. Those who fraternize with it may know what they do, but we, in the Province of Quebec, and all Freemasons surrounded by such elements as surround us here are made to feel too painfully and too realistically what it means to be told that despite our repudiation of the soi-disant Masonry of Latin lands, that thrives on hostility to certain forms of religious belief and of politics, that spurious article has the sympathy and active support of certain Grand Lodge writers with whom we have hitherto been on terms of fraternal intercourse."

Under Illinois, Brother CHAMBERS corrects Brother SCOTT as to the function of the "Nominating Committee," which suggests the composition of the Standing Committees,



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and has nothing to do with the election of the Grand Officers.

To Pennsylvania for 1909 nearly four pages are given, two and a half being taken up with the account of the presentation of the Scroll of the Law. We may note that this was secured "after an extended search through Europe" by Brother SACHSE; and not, as stated by a slip of the pen, by Brother KRAUSKOPF. The address of Grand Master ORLADY is "an exhaustive statement of the affairs of the Grand Lodge," and it is kindly stated that "a very scholarly report on Correspondence" was as usual presented by this writer, who naturally prefers to have his own middle initial "M." rather than "S."

Number of Lodges, including two under dispensation, 64; initiated, 479; total membership, 6633, a gain of 308.

Most Worshipful Brother Reverend FRANK CHARTERS, of Montreal, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILL H. WHYTE, of Montreal, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## QUEENSLAND—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of Queensland held its four Quarterly Communications in September, December, March and June, the usual Special in August, A.D. 1910, for the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers, and the usual Special the day before the June Quarterly, 1911, for nominating Grand Lodge Officers, all at Brisbane, in the Masonic Hall.

Most Worshipful Brother ADOLPHUS MARCUS HERTZBERG, Grand Master.

From the excellent installation address we quote:

"As a Sovereign Grand Lodge we have up to the present received recognition from 45 Grand Lodges. We have ourselves withheld recognition from 5 other Grand Lodges. These account for 50 Grand Lodges of the 72 which hold

sway in the world. Of those with whom we have entered into fraternal intercourse there are 37 who speak our own tongue and who are our own kindred, and who number between them over one million Brethren. It is to be sincerely regretted that the Grand Lodges of the Mother Country still hold aloof, but from what has recently taken place here we may hope for an early *rapprochement* which will bring peace into the ranks of Freemasonry in Queensland, and remove the questionable position as it exists now. 'Masonry universal' should be surely demonstrated by unity in one territory. The reasons given why union has not yet been accomplished certainly elude me. The objects with which this Grand Lodge came into existence were truly Masonic and absolutely pure, conceived and carried out for the better government of the Craft here, the greater glory of God, and the greater utility of the Masonic body in this State. No loftier heights than these could have been conceived for the foundation of any institution, and it is satisfactory that we are gradually attaining them and will continue to strive for them with one united endeavour. Meanwhile, Brethren, I again beg of you never to forget the great and good work accomplished in the past and being continued in the present by the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland. I hope you will never be unmindful of this fact, and that you will refrain, even under provocation, from saying anything against these truly wonderful institutions; though they do not see eye to eye with us just now, the time is surely coming when they will. Peace is near, Brethren, do not retard it by anything unguarded on our part. God speed the day."

At the close of the Communications of this Grand Lodge a collection is taken in aid of the Widows, Orphans and Aged Masons Institution.

At the December Quarterly (the 12th day), two silver trumpets were presented by two of the Brethren.



## SASKATCHEWAN.

We regret to read of a dispensation granted by the Grand Master "to initiate a maimed candidate."

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 57; members, over 2000; no information as to work done.

Most Worshipful Brother ADOLPHUS MARCUS HERTZBERG, of Brisbane, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. HARLEY, of Brisbane, Grand Secretary, continued.

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## SASKATCHEWAN—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Regina, on Wednesday, June 21, A.D. 1911, and at once "adjourned" (a new word to us in connection with a Grand Lodge of Masons) for a week on account of the festivities attending the coronation of King GEORGE V and his Queen.

Most Worshipful Brother Reverend W. B. TATE, Grand Master.

Welcome was extended by His Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Regina, and also on behalf of the three Regina Lodges. For the first, the Grand Lodge was called off, although Brother P. McARA is a member of the Fraternity, while the second was given after the Grand Lodge had "resumed."

The address of the Grand Master is a dignified paper, fully recounting his labors. He reports that the Grand Lodge is "in the continued enjoyment of peace and prosperity," and contrasts the 29 Lodges and a membership of less than 900, of five years ago, with the 83 Lodges and approximately 4000 members of to-day.

Regarding the necessity of admitting none but worthy men, he well says:



## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

“The influence of Free Masonry in your community will be no stronger than the influence of the weakest member of your Lodge. One poor piece of material built up into your Masonic edifice will mar the whole structure and do more to lower the dignity and usefulness of the Masonic Institution than a dozen good Masons will do to maintain its lofty traditions. Only those are fit and proper persons to be made Masons whose character and daily life will bear the search light of the strictest examination.”

In his report as Grand Librarian, Grand Secretary SHAW says:

“Special mention should be made of Masonry in the District of Columbia and Iowa, also the report of the meeting of a large number of Grand Masters in Philadelphia last year, showing a tendency to a Sovereign Grand Lodge to deal with the general matters, and to arrive at a settlement of points in dispute.”

For ourself, and we were present at the Philadelphia Conference, we saw nothing of the tendency our good Brother found in the printed Proceedings of the Conference.

South Australia was recognized.

As the record of the election and installation of a new Grand Master is contained in these Proceedings, we very properly have his portrait.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman, Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden Brother Dr. A. S. GORRELL, now Deputy Grand Master, his second. Our Brother has prepared an excellent report, but we venture to suggest that he print *all* quoted matter within quotation marks, or in a different font of type, as is done in many Jurisdictions, for we have repeatedly found it difficult to tell whether our Brother is giving his own or quoting another's views.

In his introduction, he gives very fully the excellent paper of Brother SCHULTZ, of Maryland, on "Making a Mason at Sight," to which we have already referred in this report.

Pennsylvania is not reviewed.

Our Brother is entirely frank in expressing his views, as under British Columbia:

"This brings to our mind the whole pernicious practice of our own Jurisdiction, as well as many others, of carrying on the business of a Lodge in the Master's degree. In olden times no change of procedure, and no business could be transacted unless submitted to every member of the Lodge, 'even the youngest apprentice,' but some 'wise guy' evolved the idea that no one should transact business but a Master Mason, in spite of the fact that the E. A. pays his money and is subject to discipline. Grand Lodges are much like sheep in following their leaders; consequently the practice has spread until it has become fairly universal, but to our mind decidedly wrong, as every summons is a Master Mason's summons, to disobey which is a violation of an obligation, but the breaking is cheerfully done by nine-tenths of the brethren, when it suits their convenience. We agree that no brother should sit on a Masonic trial who is not a Master Mason, or should sentence be passed in any but a Master Lodge, but we do not agree that ordinary Lodge business must be conducted in the Master's degree."

and under Idaho:

"He gives Saskatchewan a generous space, and says some kindly words about our first effort. Many thanks, O noble one. May the skin of a gooseberry make a night cap for your enemies!"

and under Missouri:

"As for ourselves we would not 'shy a stone' at a hen, not to mention the Order of the Eastern Star; but we do



object to Grand Lodges recognizing any outside body not founded on Antient Craft Masonry."

There is something to be said for the following, under South Dakota:

"We see that a Committee of the Order of the Eastern Star was received by Grand Lodge during 'Refreshment,' but no reasons were given for so doing, nor is any excuse made for the absence of the W. C. T. U., the Daughters of the Revolution, the Epworth League, etc."

We find plenty of statistics as to work, but they are given in ten tables, and we do not find any summing up of the same. Number of Lodges, about 83.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM HOPKINS, of Saskatoon, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN M. SHAW, of Regina, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### SCOTLAND—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Scotland held its August and November (1910), and February, May and August (1911) Quarterlies at St. Cuthbert's Hall, Edinburgh, owing to the rebuilding of Freemasons' Hall, which is to cost in the neighborhood of \$160,000. The Annual Communication for the installation of Grand Office-bearers, was held in St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow, on Wednesday, November 30 (St. Andrew's Day), A.D. 1910, and in the larger Hall the Festival of Saint Andrew was duly celebrated.

Brother The Most Honourable THE MARQUESS OF TULLIBARDINE, M.V.O., D.S.O., M.P., Grand Master Mason.

The Grand Master Mason being a candidate for the House of Commons, and an election being "on," was detained "by the severity of the situation," as it was explained, and could not be present at the Annual Communication, and was installed at the February Quarterly.



In the absence of the Grand Master Mason, Brother The Right Honourable SIR CHARLES DALRYMPLE, of Newhailes, Baronet, P.C., was "on the Throne" at the August Quarterly, at the Annual Communication, and at the opening of the February Quarterly, and yet we note that at the first the Grand Lodge was opened in "due" and closed in "full form"; at the second, in "full" and closed in "due form," while at the third it was both opened and closed "in full form." The presence of the newly installed Grand Master Mason might account for the closing "in full form" at the February Quarterly, yet we note that when the Grand Master Mason was present at the November Quarterly, the Grand Lodge was opened in "due" and closed in "full form." Possibly it takes a Scotch Brother to understand this, as it does the word "effeiring" in the report of the Auditor to Grand Lodge, which does not appear in our WEBSTER'S Unabridged Dictionary.

April 28 was the date selected for the laying of the "Memorial Stone" of the new Freemasons' Hall, by which time the walls of the building were ready for, if not entirely under, roof. The ceremony was of great interest.

In Scotland the Representative near another Grand Lodge is the Representative of the *Grand Lodge* and is selected by the Grand Lodge, and not by the Grand Master Mason.

King GEORGE V, although not a member of the Fraternity, did the gracious thing in placing at the disposition of his uncle, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, Most Worshipful Grand Master of England, the Masonic clothing of King EDWARD VII, and the DUKE offered to the Grand Lodge of Scotland as a gift from HIS MAJESTY, the Scottish Grand Patron's apron, collar, gauntlets and jewel, which were accepted "with reverence and satisfaction."

We quote from the Proceedings of the August Quarterly:

"Brother Alexander Bruce, Proxy District Grand Master of Hong Kong and South China, Grand Bard, referred to

a ruling given by Grand Committee, as reported on page 187 of Proceedings, and moved, seconded by Brother David Grant, Proxy Master, No. 509, the disapproval of the fourth paragraph on that page, viz.:—‘It was moved by Brother Joseph Inglis, seconded by Brother George Glen, “That the qualifications for admission to any Lodge is for the Lodge to decide, and may be incorporated in their bye-laws,”’ and that instead thereof the previous finding of Grand Committee on the same subject, as reported on page 132 of Proceedings, be confirmed, viz.:—

“ ‘Lodge St. Andrew, Malta, No. 966, asks whether it would be “in order restricting the initiation of persons below a certain rank in the Navy and Army”; adding that “the other Constitutions in Malta do not admit any one below the rank of corporal or petty officer”; and that some of their candidates who were below that rank were rejected by the ballot, although they had passed the Committee’s investigation.

“ ‘The answer is that it would be quite out of order to make any such distinction. The Grand Lodge of Scotland recognises no disqualification on the ground of inferior rank in the naval or military service any more than it does in the case of a civilian. Any member of a Lodge who blackballs a candidate for no other reason than that his rank in the service is under that of corporal or petty officer is acting against the spirit of Scottish Freemasonry.’

“ Brother Joseph Inglis, Provincial Grand Master of Kincardineshire, Junior Grand Deacon, seconded by Brother W. Munro Denholm, Proxy Master, No. 6, Past Senior Grand Warden, moved approval of Grand Committee’s finding.

“ Brother Bruce’s motion was carried by 148 votes to 98.”

The smallness of the majority for Brother BRUCE’S motion is to be noted; it should have been much larger.



## SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 768, of which 433 are in Scotland, the rest in foreign lands; initiated or "intrants," 11,120, a gain over the previous year of 1382.

Most Worshipful Brother The Most Honourable THE MARQUESS OF TULLIBARDINE, M.V.O., D.S.O., M.P., of Edinburgh, Grand Master Mason; Right Worshipful Brother DAVID REID, of Edinburgh, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of South Australia, in addition to its usual Half-Yearly (October 10, A.D. 1910) and Annual (April 19, 1911) Communications, held a Lodge of Sorrow on May 22, 1910, and two Special Communications March 1 and 17, 1911, for consideration of amendments to the Constitution, all in Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Adelaide, except the Lodge of Sorrow in memory of His Late Majesty, King EDWARD VII, "The Patron and Protector of Freemasonry in this State," which was held in the Town Hall.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency The Right Honourable SIR SAMUEL JAMES WAY, Bart., P.C., D.C.L., LL.D., Lieutenant Governor and Chief Justice of South Australia, Grand Master.

At the Lodge of Sorrow, the address of the Grand Master, whose portrait we are especially glad to have, was particularly interesting.

The Grand Lodge suffered a severe loss in the death of the Deputy Grand Master, Brother SIR ROBERT KYFFIN THOMAS, and a successor was elected at the Half-Yearly Communication, at which time the Grand Master announced that, as his judicial duties were so much heavier than formerly, and as he could not visit the Lodges as he would



wish, he had determined to exercise his prerogative, and had appointed Right Worshipful Brother EUSTACE BEARDOE GRUNDY, K.C., as Pro Grand Master, who was accordingly invested as Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master.

Brother WAY was Grand Master for the first five years of the Grand Lodge's existence, from 1884 to 1889, and has been continuously since 1896.

He approved the recommendation (which is not obligatory) of the Board of General Purposes, "both for hygienic and sentimental reasons," that all Lodges shall provide for each initiate a small "Volume of the Sacred Law" to be used by him during the various ceremonies, and finally presented to him when he has attained his Third Degree.

The "report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Digest of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions," is "its First Annual," last year's (the first given in the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge) having been prepared by Grand Secretary GLOVER, who is a member of the Committee, which consists of the following Brethren (the figures in parenthesis after the names indicating the number of reviews prepared by them): E. H. LIMBERT (8), C. L. F. FORNACHON (2), C. D. HARRIS (14), W. H. SELWAY (5), J. M. RADDE (6), SAMUEL H. GOOD (6), F. LATHLEAN (13), A. J. ADAMS (18), HENRY E. POTTER (6), and Grand Secretary GLOVER (1).

Under Mississippi, we note that Brother HARRIS does not seem to approve entirely of the Ancient Charges:

"The Grand Master decided that an illegitimate child could not be made a Mason, which appeals to us as being somewhat Draconic in its severity."

Pennsylvania is well summarized by Brother SELWAY, but our report did not come under our Brother's observation.

Number of Lodges, 64; initiated, 406; total "subscribing members," 4119, a gain of 524.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency The Right Honourable SIR SAMUEL JAMES WAY, Bart., P.C., D.C.L., LL.D., etc., of Adelaide, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES R. J. GLOVER, Past Deputy Grand Master, of Adelaide, Grand Secretary, continued.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of South Carolina began its One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Charleston, on Tuesday, December 13, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES R. JOHNSON, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a full report, prepared with care. It was his sad and very fortunately very unusual duty to record the death of two of the Grand Officers: the Grand Treasurer, Right Worshipful Brother ZIMMERMAN DAVIS, and the Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JACOB T. BARRON. Fitting memorials were adopted. We noted the death of the Grand Secretary in our last report.

We see that the Grand Master yielded to pressure and granted a dispensation to lay a cornerstone on Sunday, but his decision in the matter was not approved by the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and their report was approved by the Grand Lodge. In the address we find mention of "a new piece of property"—certainly not very luminous—which had been lost. We have grave suspicions that it may have been what Grand Master BELLINGER some years ago called "a very important book," which we then took to be a cipher, but we never were enlightened.

The Grand Master reported fully upon his visit to Alexandria, Virginia, for consultation regarding a National



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Association having for its object the erection, at Alexandria, of a memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason, and suggested that the Grand Master and a representative be sent to Alexandria on February 22, 1911, to be present at the permanent organization of the Association. The Committee on Grand Master's Address commended the suggestion, saying:

“By so doing, we are honoring a man whose fame as a statesman, soldier and Mason is world-wide. If, as history states, ‘He was first in peace, first in war, and first in the hearts of his countrymen,’ then why should not we Masons, representing the best and most enlightened citizenship of the country, take our part and share in this worthy and noble cause?”

Brother JOHNSON had the honor, as did this writer, of being elected one of the Vice-Presidents of the newly formed Association.

The Committee's report was unanimously adopted; the same report recommended that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be voted to Past Grand Master MICHIE for “his forceful handling of the Foreign Correspondence during Brother BARRON's illness and since his death.”

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, whose duty it is to consider the report when prepared (usually by the Grand Secretary), also commended Brother MICHIE for his excellent work.

The Grand Master permitted Brother A. G. OUZTS, who adds to his name the initials “W.G.P.,” whatever they may mean, to address the members of the Grand Lodge on the subject of the “Eastern Star” and ask their support. Any one interested will find a good deal of information regarding that “Order” in the Brother's address.

The Grand Master also permitted Brother McLEOD, who is the editor of a Masonic journal in Jacksonville, Florida,



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and Columbia, South Carolina, to make an appeal for his journal, but, properly we think, no action was taken by the Grand Lodge.

It seems that the present quarters are too small for the attendance at the sessions of the Grand Lodge, and an enlargement is to be considered and reported upon.

We notice some of the same repetition of matters contained in the Grand Master's address, to which we have before referred.

In South Carolina, it seems that the Past Grand Masters are relegated to the end of the list of officers present. We note also that the Grand Master and the Senior Grand Warden each appoints *two* Grand Deacons, while the Junior Grand Warden appoints both the Grand Stewards. The name of Past Grand Master HARRISON appears at the end of the list of Representatives of Grand Lodges, but what Grand Lodge he represents is not stated.

The amendment having for its object the reversal of the position of the Grand Lodge on the question of physical qualifications was lost, the necessary two-thirds not being given. The same amendment was proposed again and comes up next year.

During the sessions other addresses were made by Past Grand Master DURANT, of Minnesota, and Brother CHARLES S. VEDDER, pastor of the Huguenot Church in Charleston, "a venerable Mason and a highly esteemed and beloved Brother."

As indicated above, the Report on Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother JAMES L. MICHIE; it is thorough, excellent, and interesting. In his introduction, after explaining his being called upon by Grand Secretary BARRON to undertake, and, after that distinguished Brother's death, requested by his Grand Master to finish, the report, and after thinking there are but few who read the report, he adds:

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“ Still, if, in the following pages, I have given even a few of my brethren a grander conception of our fraternity by bringing directly under their notice the views held of our Craft by some of the leading men of every State in the Union, if I have caused only a few to think what an inestimable privilege is theirs in being members of our Order, then, I will feel that ‘ my labors have not been in vain.’ ”

Under Alabama, we are interested to find our Brother saying:

“ We are familiar with the history of this New Jersey negro Lodge, we have the full particulars from the lips of Past Grand Master Wolfskeil himself, and we think that if all the facts were more generally known, a greater spirit of toleration would be shown. We are not running to the defense of New Jersey, New Jersey is quite capable of taking care of herself, but we happen to know ‘ good and sufficient reasons’ for the existence of this negro Lodge under the protection of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.”

Under Connecticut, after quoting in full the “ Masonic Ceremonies for Laying the Corner Stone of Public Edifices,” which concluded with the invocation of the Blessed Trinity, our Brother very properly adds:

“ It is a beautiful ceremony, and we are sorry to see it marred by the benediction, which is not Masonic. Masonry *teaches no creed, deals not in creeds*, and such a benediction is very apt to give grave offense to a large number of brethren whose religious views and opinions we are bound to respect. Though a Christian, born and reared in a strict Calvinistic school, we deplore any effort to bring sectarianism into Masonry.”

In view of what we said last year, under the District of Columbia, we are glad to have our Brother, under that Jurisdiction, write:



“He [Brother OBER] concurred in the eleven recommendations, with the exception of Nos. 7 and 8. He devotes more than a page to show that he could not, and did not, concur in No. 7. No. 7 reads:

“‘A petitioner should have resided within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge for one year, that is, have had a legal residence there for one year.’

“Our recollection is, and the record shows, that Bro. Ober spoke only once during the discussion of the question: ‘What length of time should be required to obtain Masonic residence in a jurisdiction, other than that of birth or one legally acquired?’ Bro. Ober’s remark was: ‘The District of Columbia requires one year.’ He has confused No. 7 with No. 8. When this subject was under discussion: ‘Should employment in the service of the government affect the Masonic residence of the petitioner?’ (Which led to the adoption of No. 8.) Brother Ober did state very fully his own views and the law of his jurisdiction on the various points raised. But when Most Worshipful Bro. Showalter, of West Virginia, put No. 8 in the form adopted, neither Bro. Ober nor any one present, raised the slightest objection. The recommendation was carried unanimously.

“Bro. Ober says that he deems the published report of the Philadelphia Conference ‘a very creditable review of the proceedings, although, if one wished to be captious, many little corrections might justly be made.’

“We think the desire to be captious must be very strong, indeed, before one would attempt to suggest a correction.”

Under Florida, our Brother asks this question:

“Did it ever strike any of ‘The Guild,’ or any brother Past Grand Masters, that there might be a difference between a corner stone and a foundation stone?”

As the Grand Master Mason of Scotland, on April 28, 1911, laid a “memorial stone” in its new Freemasons’ Hall,



we wonder if there might be added to the above question "and a memorial stone"?

We are surprised to have our Brother reduce the three things that an imperfect youth may be "incapable of learning," to two, by omitting the comma after "art" (which of course is the art of Masonry), in that portion of the Ancient Charges which reads "a perfect youth, having no maim or defect in his body, that may render him incapable of learning the art, of serving his Master's Lord, and of being made a Brother." We do not have MACKAY'S Manual at hand, but we should *not* expect to find the omitted comma there.

Under North Carolina, we learn that it was due to Brother MICHIE'S warning, that the famous question was *not* asked in Boston when the Grand Master of North Carolina greeted the Grand Master of South Carolina!

Under Tennessee, we quote:

"As we have before remarked in these pages, the idea of a National Grand Lodge was strongly repudiated by every one who was present at these conferences, save Grand Master Mikels, of Indiana. He was in a hopeless minority of one, and if Bro. Chambers will read our review of Indiana, he will see that the idea of Bro. Mikels was snowed under by his own Grand Lodge. The Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences endorsed the emphatic language of Grand Master Bell, of Illinois. 'We have no more use for a National or General Grand Lodge than a duck has for an umbrella.'"

Our Brother several times refers to a Grand Lodge as being a "Jurisdiction of Antient" Freemasons; we wonder if our Brother realizes that England is one of that sort? (See Rule 2, English Constitutions.)

As we had the pleasure of attending both the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences, it is pleasant to have (as it were) our Brother's greetings, to those whom he met at these Conferences.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well reviewed in nine pages, and extracts taken from the addresses of Brother KRAUSKOPF (Brother MICHIE, who appears not altogether indifferent as to the spelling of his name, spells the name of this Brother and that of Brother WANAMAKER incorrectly), the valedictory of Grand Master ORLADY (whom he considers "one of the most learned Masonic scholars of to-day"), the inaugural of Grand Master GUTHRIE, and from our report.

With regard to "ample form," "due form," and "form," our Brother kindly attempts to "throw some light upon the subject," which Brother McDONALD will appreciate, but Brother MICHIE does not throw light upon *why* these terms were adopted, which we should like to know.

With reference to our Brother's views as to a Brother other than the Master "occupying the Master's CHAIR," we suggest to Brother MICHIE the legal maxim with which he is familiar, "*Qui facit per alium, facit per se.*"

We hope it may be arranged so that we shall have the pleasure of meeting Brother MICHIE again at "the round table."

Number of Lodges not stated, but we think, including four under dispensation, about 234; we trust Grand Secretary HART will hereafter give us the number accurately: raised, 996; total Master Masons, 13,171, a net gain of 645.

Most Worshipful Brother JAMES R. JOHNSON, of Charleston, Grand Master, re-elected: Right Worshipful Brother O. FRANK HART, of Columbia, Grand Secretary.

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### SOUTH DAKOTA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of South Dakota began its Thirty-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in Chamberlain, on Tuesday, June 13, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, two morning and two afternoon sessions being held.



Most Worshipful Brother SAMUEL S. LOCKHART, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is a well-prepared paper. He had to report the death of no less than three Past Grand Masters, Most Worshipful Brothers ALLEN, BLAIR and FILES. This Grand Lodge is indeed bereaved. The Grand Master's recommendation as to the preparation of a Grand Lodge history is excellent.

Grand Secretary PETTIGREW urges the increase of the Grand Lodge Library and of Lodge Libraries.

The orator was Brother M. F. MONTGOMERY, who entertained the Grand Lodge in an interesting paper.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor Wednesday morning that a committee of "the Grand Chapter Order Eastern Star" might be received, when a number of "sisters," among them the "Most Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star of the World," were received, and bouquets were exchanged (metaphorically speaking).

The Grand Lodge endorsed the Washington Memorial project at Alexandria, Virginia. We quote part of the report of the Special Committee:

"We, your Committee appointed to consider the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, have to report that in our opinion too much honor cannot be heaped upon the name of the Father of his Country. Numberless monuments have been erected by all sorts and conditions of men and associations to perpetuate the memory of his noble character and exalted spirit. Our glorious institution immortalizes the names of many great men, but no brother has ever lived who has received so much eulogy from American Masons as George Washington. We are all proud that so great a man should have been a brother Mason, and we all rejoice to see his picture in our Lodges, where



he is represented as Worshipful Master in the act of opening a Lodge.

“George Washington took enough interest in Masonry as to accept the Gavel of the Lodge at Alexandria, Virginia, and we are proud to remember that with that gavel or some other he laid the corner stone of the Capitol of the United States.”

In a report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, which was concurred in, we note a recommendation, although the matter had not been referred to the Committee, that hereafter no Brother shall serve more than three years in any elective office of the Grand Lodge. This would seem to set a term to the service of the Grand Treasurer, who has served eleven years and was elected to serve the twelfth.

We may say that in Brother PETTIGREW's table of Grand Lodges, showing date of meeting, Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries and Committees on Correspondence, the address of this writer should be Harrisburg, and not as printed.

The report on Correspondence is again entirely from the pen of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother SAMUEL A. BROWN, who once more takes his place at the Round Table, after having occupied the chair of King SOLOMON.

Brother BROWN has afforded us great pleasure by his happy idea in giving at the head of each review the picture of the Grand Secretary of the Jurisdiction; and it has been delightful to come upon the “counterfeit presentment” of so many Brethren, whose names are so familiar to us, and we wish to thank Brother BROWN, and express the hope that he may be able another year to give those in this year's report and to supply the few portraits that are not given.

Possibly by another year Brother BROWN may have learned for what an orphans' home has a chapel.

Under British Columbia, after quoting the agreement of Brother DEWOLF SMITH with Brother McDONALD, of Indiana, Brother BROWN says:

“ We do not wish to try to account for this endorsement by our brother who has time and again pointed out to this Committee the error of its assertions, but we call his attention to the following which is the fifteenth of the charges to a Master on his installation. It is copied from the Ahiman Rezon of Pennsylvania and called ‘ ancient,’ and what Pennsylvania calls ‘ ancient ’ it behooves us not to assign to the last decade :

“ ‘ 15. You agree that no visitors shall be admitted into your lodge without due examination, and producing proper vouchers of their having been initiated into a regular lodge.’ ”

Under the same Jurisdiction, our Brother gives some views as to the power of Masons, which we, having been taught old-fashioned Masonry, cannot accept, *e.g.* :

“ In countries where there is no Grand Lodge, Masons have the right to form themselves into Lodges and make Masons and to decide what shall be the form and substance of the Masonic authority for that Country.”

and

“ They do not impair their Masonic character by placing their affairs in the keeping of the King and Royal Family as is done in Sweden, Denmark and England.”

If our Brother supposes that the Brethren of *England* have “ placed their affairs in the keeping of the King and Royal Family ” in the same way that we are informed the Masons of Sweden and Denmark have, we think our Brother would do well to inform himself on the subject.

We, with Brother BROWN, favor small Lodges; and under Minnesota, he well says :

“ In our opinion the great loss suffered by Masonry in a large Lodge is due to the fact that such a very small percentage of the members is permitted to do anything. Suppose you take a Lodge of 1000 members, there are



about 10 officers, one per cent. Divide that body into 20 and you have 200 officers all charged with something to do in the craft workings.

“Men take interest in proportion to the responsibility assumed. All the members of each small Lodge are acquainted with each other, and Brotherhood, the Masonic ideal, is a great deal nearer to realization.”

Under North Dakota, when Brother BROWN refers to the rapid automobile ride, which the Maryland Brethren gave to those of us who were so fortunate as to be their guests in November, 1909, he might well have explained, in speaking of the speed limit being removed, that we had the Chief of Police, a Brother of the Craft, in the front automobile.

Under Oklahoma, Brother BROWN rightly says:

“Dispensations are not setting aside the laws of the Grand Lodge. They are the fulfilment of the law. One of the duties of the Grand Master is to issue such dispensations, not to overthrow and injure Masonic prestige but to prevent general rules from working hardships upon brethren and Lodges, and in that way preserve the regard of the members for the rules. Of course when we have a Grand Master who cannot obey this rule and law to the credit of the institution and the office he holds, the fault is ours in selecting so defective a Mason for the position.”

Under Virginia, we note it is stated that Grand Master EGGLESTON was present in Cincinnati when Brother WILLIAM H. TAFT was made a Mason at sight. This is a slip, as Brother EGGLESTON says, on page 10, “I did not go”; and we can give the negative evidence that we did not see that dear Brother on the interesting occasion mentioned.

Pennsylvania does not appear in our Brother's report, doubtless because our 1910 Proceedings were late in being issued.



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Number of Lodges, 128, a gain of 8; initiated, 874; total membership, 8901, a gain of 577.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES L. BROCKWAY, of Chamberlain, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, of Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### TENNESSEE—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Tennessee began its Ninety-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Nashville, on Wednesday, January 25, A.D. 1911, in accordance with the provisions of its Constitution, but the Grand Lodge was called off from labor to refreshment Wednesday, until March 8, at the new Freemasons' Hall in Nashville, of which the cornerstone had been duly laid on September 28, 1910. The new Hall was dedicated in the afternoon of the first day, a large company of Brethren, ladies and children being present at the exercises, which consisted of an invocation, a number of addresses and musical selections, a recitation ("Tommy's Prayer," by one of the children), and the benediction, but no mention is made of any Masonic ceremonies of dedication and consecration. We looked in vain for a picture of the new Hall. Four sessions were held, the last one Friday morning, and the work was exemplified in the evenings.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES H. BYRN, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master shows a most diligent, efficient, and earnest Brother. His strong efforts on behalf of the endowment fund of the Widows' and Orphans' Home did not meet with the success they deserved. His visitations ("the brightest spot in his experience as Grand Master") were more than a hundred, and he conferred more

than seventy degrees. The Craft in Tennessee cannot fail to have benefited by such activity.

In the address is given a very interesting report of Past Grand Master RICHARDSON, who represented the Grand Lodge at the meeting at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 22, 1910, for the purpose of forming a National Association for the purpose of erecting a memorial to WASHINGTON the Mason. The Grand Lodge formally approved the movement, and commended it to the support of all the Freemasons of its Jurisdiction.

The following, relating to "a reform sorely needed among the Masons of Tennessee," will surprise our Brethren:

"It is the loose manner in which the brethren conduct themselves while their lodges are in session. In most of them there is so much freedom allowed that license has taken the place of dignity. The brethren remove their coats from their backs, and forget to remove their pipes and cigars from their mouths. In many cases Lodge rooms are made to resemble the smoking room of a hotel or the smoking car in a passenger train. This should not be so. If there is a place on earth next to the church of God where reverence should be found and dignity should be observed, it is in that place where a Masonic meeting is in session."

In our report last year, under Iowa, we had something to say on the subject.

At the close of his address the Grand Master spoke earnestly and eloquently against profanity, saying in part:

"No man can be a Mason unless he believes in God and looks to Him in worship. This being true, the name of God should be sacred to every member of our beloved brotherhood. It should never be lightly considered even in our thinking, and should never fall from our lips except in worship or adoration. Any man who takes this Holy name in vain is guilty of conduct unbecoming a Mason. Such a



thing as profanity should be as foreign to the members of our Order as it would be for us to neglect a needy brother."

Later, these words were given unanimous endorsement by a rising vote, and later a resolution was adopted:

"That this section of the Grand Master's address be given special prominence by being re-printed upon a separate page; and that the successive sessions of the Grand Lodge be requested to give a page in their proceedings to affirm the reverence of our Fraternity for the name of the Divine Being, and the obligation resting upon every member of our ancient Order to revere and to worship God."

We fail, however, to find the separate page mentioned.

The memorial adopted in relation to the death of Past Grand Master SMITH is not in quite the usual form of such papers and is of much interest.

We venture to suggest a somewhat fuller index.

The report on Correspondence is by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HENRY A. CHAMBERS, as we understand, and is an interesting collection of extracts from addresses and reports.

In the introduction, under the heading of "Some Peculiarities," we quote:

"Maryland has by successive elections kept Brother Thomas J. Shryock in the office of Grand Master for twenty-five (25) years. He has reported no decisions and that Grand Lodge has no Committee on Masonic Law or Jurisprudence.

"In Pennsylvania the decisions of the Grand Master are not passed upon by the Grand Lodge. It has no Committee on Masonic Law or Jurisprudence. The same condition exists in Massachusetts. In these three Grand Jurisdictions the Grand Master is Master sure enough."



Under "Valle de Mexico," we quote:

"The condition is bad in Mexico generally. It seems that at the last meeting of Valle de Mexico a large part of the Mexican members, including the Grand Secretary, with the seal and records, withdrew, or rather, met at another place, and claimed to be the real Grand Lodge, while the American members with the remnant of officers continued to hold possession of the first place of meeting. The result is two separate bodies, each claiming to be the true and only Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico within the Federal District. Grand Lodge Vera Cruz has revived its claim to jurisdiction over the entire republic of Mexico,—while the Grand Lodges, Benito Juarez and Coahuila, are also bestirring themselves and also giving trouble to some of the Jurisdictions in the United States.

"As seen from the review of Wisconsin herein, Brother Jenks thinks the only remedy is to treat Mexico as unoccupied territory for legitimate Masonry in which United States Grand Lodges may establish enough Subordinate Lodges to establish an American or English-speaking Grand Lodge.

"Our own opinion is that we had better let the residents of Mexico work out their own Masonic salvation without interference from outsiders, and recognize them when they have clearly done so,—though we report such information as we have obtained for the consideration of the Grand Lodge without special recommendation from this Committee."

And under "Documentary Evidence":

"The demand for this seems, this year as last, to be growing. Grand Master Webb of Wisconsin, however, raises a very suggestive objection on the ground that documentary evidence will have a tendency to make Lodges and examining committees careless about requiring the ancient and approved

tests. In our review of Pennsylvania we give Brother Lamberton's list of Jurisdictions that require documentary evidence."

Our Brother has fears of a National Grand Lodge, saying, under Connecticut, apropos of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences:

"Nevertheless, if these meetings of Grand Masters are kept up, it will be easy to drift into a Supreme Grand Lodge for the United States."

We may say for one Jurisdiction, Pennsylvania will not do any such drifting.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed, and Grand Master ORLADY'S address is reported upon and a number of his decisions quoted. Our report (kindly said to be "fine") is noted.

Number of Lodges, 440; initiated, 1971; total number of Master Masons, 24,802, a gain of 967.

Most Worshipful Brother JOHN R. RISON, of Paris, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN B. GARRETT, of Nashville, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

## TEXAS—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its Seventy-fifth Grand Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the City of Waco, on Tuesday, December 6, A.D. 1910, and closed two days later, five sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother T. C. YANTIS, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait, with that of Grand Secretary WATSON, is given at the front of the Proceedings, is a well-prepared paper, giving an account of his activities. During several months he was absent from



the Jurisdiction, and visited England and Scotland, where the Grand Secretaries extended courtesies to him, as did our friend, Brother HENRY SADLER, Grand Tyler and Librarian of the Grand Lodge of England. The Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother WALTER ACKER, as Acting Grand Master, made a number of decisions.

In Texas, the powers of the Grand Master are limited, as we find that Brother reporting that he could find no authority to grant a dispensation to a Lodge to attend church services on Sunday, "in a Masonic body, the members being duly clothed, the officers wearing their jewels."

No less than 43 dispensations were granted to lay cornerstones. We wondered at the condition annexed to the only request from an Episcopal Church, *i.e.*, the dispensation not to be used "unless the building was a proper one"; later, we saw that where the request is made for a wooden building, it is refused, and properly, as we think. Just why a cornerstone should not be laid on "St. John's Day," whether "in Summer" or "in Winter," is not clear.

The Grand Master of Arkansas, Most Worshipful Brother F. G. LINDSEY, was a welcome visitor.

The Deputy Grand Master, when Acting Grand Master, could find no authority to grant a dispensation to a Lodge to hold a special meeting outside of its Lodge room. We note that a resolution was passed:

"That the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, under circumstances which he may deem sufficient, shall be and is hereby authorized to grant dispensations to such lodge or lodges to meet in the lodge rooms or halls of other Masonic bodies whose membership is entirely composed of Master Masons in good standing."

Texas is such a large Jurisdiction that it has four Standing Committees on Chartered Lodges, three on Grievances and Appeals, and two on Lodges Under Dispensation, and,



it would appear, three on Credentials. We regret to find the Committees on Grievances and Appeals compelled to make so many reports.

The Brethren were favored with two fine addresses, the first by the Grand Orator, Brother AUGUSTUS W. HOUSTON, who took for his subject, "Our Obligation"; the second, by the Grand Chaplain, Reverend Brother A. E. BATEN, whose theme was "The Bible and the Masonic Brotherhood." We quote Brother HOUSTON's closing paragraph:

"As the beautiful light of a glorious day rises out of the mists of the early morning, so has the effulgent light of Masonry shaken off the shadows of early superstitions and mounted higher and higher in the esteem and approbation of the best people of the earth, until, like the sun at meridian height, it is the beauty and glory of our most enlightened civilization. May it ever continue to inculcate its sacred tenets in the hearts of men until all human action and endeavor shall be guided and directed by the unerring principles of brotherly love, relief and truth—then, indeed, our obligation will not be forgotten or restricted in its meaning."

Past Grand Master TYLER presented, by request of the Grand Master, a special report on Mexican Grand Lodges, from which we quote:

"In 1891 we extended recognition to the Gran Dieta Simbolica, a Grand Body whose jurisdiction extended throughout the Republic, and whose constituents consisted of the Grand Lodges of the States and of all their subordinate lodges. In 1900 the Gran Dieta voluntarily dissolved and relinquished to the various State Grand Lodges the sovereignty and supervision of the Craft within their respective borders, and upon its recommendation we extended recognition and exchanged Representatives with the Grand Lodges 'Benito Juarez' of the State of Coahuila, with its

seat at the City of Saltillo, and 'Valle de Mexico,' of the Federal District, with its seat at the City of Mexico. This occurred on the 3d day of December, 1901.

"On the 15th day of September, 1909, Grand Master J. J. Davis, for good and sufficient reasons, issued his edict withdrawing our recognition of said Grand Lodge Benito Juarez, of the State of Coahuila, and severing our Masonic connection therewith, and which action was subsequently approved and ratified by the Grand Lodge of Texas in December, 1909."

Brother TYLER recommended that Texas continue to recognize the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, which now calls itself the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico," but no action seems to have been taken.

Hereafter the "Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home" is to be called "the Masonic Orphans' Home," and the widows now residing in the Home are to be transferred to the "Home for Aged Masons," when completed.

The "Traveling Silver Trowel," which started on its journeys by Justice Lodge, No. 753, New York, in 1905, as noted in these reports, was brought into the Grand Lodge by the officers of Dallas Lodge, No. 760, and several interesting addresses were made concerning it.

As part of the City of Texarkana is in Texas and part in Arkansas, the two Grand Lodges have agreed to allow applicants living in the Texas part of the city to apply to join a Lodge in the Arkansas part, and *vice versa*.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is the twenty-sixth from the skilled pen of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother THOMAS M. MATTHEWS, SR., who in his introduction treats briefly of "The Conference of Grand Masters," "Negroes as Masons," "The Use of Cipher Rituals," "Documentary Evidence of Masonic Standing," and "Physical Qualifications of Candidates." The report extends over 110 pages, but the matter, with the exception of the in-



trodition, is set in such small type, that each page contains nearly twice as much as one of our pages.

We are glad our good Brother is in better health, although not strong enough to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, which sent him a message of fraternal greeting.

Brother MATTHEWS is as opposed as ever to granting dispensations to confer degrees out of time, and to ciphers.

Under District of Columbia, referring to the Philadelphia Conference of Grand Masters, our Brother says:

“We are free to say that, in our opinion, if the recommendations thereat made were generally adopted and adhered to it would do more to establish and maintain the peace and harmony that should exist, as between the various jurisdictions, than would any other one thing which could possibly be done, and much of the friction that now so frequently crops out would be reduced to a minimum, if not entirely and forever done away with or eliminated.”

Under Indiana, we quote, the italics being ours:

“We note that this law was amended so that now ‘the Grand Master may, with the consent of the Committee on Jurisprudence, allow lodges to receive and ballot on petitions for membership of those who can, by the aid of artificial appliances, conform to the ceremonies of the Order.’ In doing this we fear our brethren have made a very grave mistake. *Masonry owes nothing to the profane, and she has no need to, nor should she, bid for members. It is already too easy for those outside to get into the Fraternity. Then why make it still easier, and so cheapen our profession?*”

For Brother MATTHEWS’s information, we may say that we took part in the making of a Mason at sight of a member of the Bar in good standing, who, in winding up an estate in which the Craft in Pennsylvania had an interest, attracted



the notice of our Grand Master by his diligence and fairness. One of our Grand Masters exercised his prerogative in making his son a Mason at sight. We have known of three other persons who had no special notoriety, and who were not "big men with a pull," who were made Masons at sight.

We sympathize with our Brother, in the following:

"Our brethren here use a good deal of show preliminary to opening the Grand Lodge. For instance, as we are informed, that at 9:30 a. m. the members of the Grand Lodge formed a procession, about 300 strong, in front of the Hotel, and headed by a brass band, under the escort of Knights Templar, marched through the principal streets to the Masonic Temple, where, inverting the column, it entered the building, when, after an address of welcome, the Grand Lodge was opened in 'ample form.' We have mentioned this, that we might say—we do not approve of such spectacular shows in Masonry; in our opinion they have no place there—do no good; but, per contra, tend rather to bring ridicule upon the Fraternity, if indeed they do not cheapen and degrade it. But, 'Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher, vanity of vanities, all is vanity.'"

Our Brother gives a little over a page to Pennsylvania for 1909, "finding but little of general interest." The new Masonic Home at Elizabethtown is noted, and so is Grand Master ORLADY's address, Brother MATTHEWS saying of his decisions:

"They appear to be in accord with the general Masonic law, with, perhaps, one exception. He ruled that 'a Master Mason, not in arrears for dues, is eligible to fill any office, elective or appointive, of a lodge of which he is a member; provided he is competent, is in good standing, and a resident of this jurisdiction.' While this is, in our opinion, as it should be everywhere, yet—if we are not mistaken—in most

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jurisdictions the law requires that before a brother is eligible for Worshipful Master he must have served as Warden; for which, as already indicated, we can see no valid reason."

Our report ("interesting and excellent") is noticed, especially that portion relating to Texas. We most heartily join in our Brother's prayer, "God grant that we may be permitted to meet again."

Number of Lodges, 824, a net gain of 24; total number of Master Masons, 50,027, which, we are glad to have Grand Secretary WATSON tell us, is a gain of 2326.

Most Worshipful Brother WALTER ACKER, of Waxahachie, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother JOHN WATSON, of Waco, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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### UTAH—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Utah began its Fortieth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, at Salt Lake City, on Tuesday, January 17, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, six sessions being held, the one on Tuesday evening being for the exemplification of the work.

Most Worshipful Brother CHARLES BRUERTON JACK, Grand Master.

The annual address of the Grand Master is an interesting, well-prepared paper. He noted the removal through ill health of the Senior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES M. WILSON; his action in appointing an Acting Grand Secretary, so that the beloved Grand Secretary might take a well-deserved vacation was approved, and mention is properly made of the golden wedding anniversary of Grand Secretary DIEHL. We regretted we could not accept the courteous invitation of Brother DIEHL and his wife, to partake of their hospitality on that happy occasion, and are glad to have their pictures.



Under the caption "Incorporation of Grand Lodge," we find the following, which seems unusual, to say the least:

" 3 o'clock P. M.

" This being the hour fixed to vote upon the proposition to incorporate the Grand Lodge, the M.:W.:Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from Labor until the sound of the Gavel in the Grand East.

" The members present then organized by electing Brother P. L. Williams, Chairman and Brother C. S. Varian, Secretary, and held an open meeting.

" Past Grand Master A. R. Heywood then moved that the Grand Lodge be incorporated. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

" The meeting adjourned sine die.

" The Grand Lodge resumed Labor."

In his report as Grand Librarian, Grand Secretary DIEHL notes the gift of " History of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, 1781-1883 [*sic*]."

In a special report, Grand Secretary DIEHL, as " Correspondent," tells of the split in the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, mentioning that with a new Constitution and By-laws, modeled after those of New Mexico, and with the election of officers " the Mexicans were dissatisfied, and the representatives of seven Lodges, under the leadership of Past Grand Master M. Levi, withdrew from the hall in a disorderly, uncivilized and unmasonic manner, declaring that they would never submit to the dictates of an American Masonic Government."

There was a time when we heard a good deal about " America for the Americans! " Why not as well, " Mexico for the Mexicans " ?

It would seem that the Grand Lodge of Mexico should be governed by *Mexican* Brethren. We do not believe, as



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Brother DIEHL does, in a Grand Lodge of Mexico "governed by American laws and by American Masons." How, as Brother DIEHL says, "henceforth pure and undefiled ancient symbolic Free Masonry will guide the Craft in the Republic of Mexico," while recognition is accorded to a *portion* of a body which, it is conceded, was not formed legitimately, is too much for us.

It was decided to be inexpedient to send a delegate to the meeting in February, at Alexandria, Virginia, or to pledge the Grand Lodge and Lodges to contribute to the building fund of the Masonic Temple, which is to be erected there as a memorial to "WASHINGTON the Mason."

For the information of Brethren who are to visit in Utah, we quote the following Standing Resolution, which was adopted:

"No visiting Brother shall be permitted to visit a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction unless he can and does produce written evidence under the Seal of his Lodge that he is in good standing; and said evidence must be attested by the Grand Secretary's signature and the Seal of the Grand Lodge under which the Lodge of the visitor is working."

The signet ring was presented by the retiring Grand Master to his successor, who in turn presented him with a Past Grand Master's jewel. With the portrait of the new Grand Master, Brother DIEHL gives an interesting biographical sketch, from which we learn that Most Worshipful Brother was born at Wilkes Barre in this State, in 1864, and is a graduate of the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania.

The report on Correspondence is the thirty-fifth by the veteran "Correspondent," the well-beloved Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, and is full of interest. Under Alabama, he says that the Grand Master

“ makes a great mistake, though, when he calls Free Masonry an ‘ Order.’ It is a Fraternity, ‘ ein Menscheitsbund ’ (Union of Men); never was an Order and never will be.”

We sympathize with Brother DIEHL’s view, greatly preferring “ Fraternity ” to “ Order,” and yet, if our Brother will turn to the note on the last page of the English “ Constitutions of 1723,” he will find it said of “ the Free Masons,” that they “ are now the most ancient Order upon Earth.”

In the Summary of the Ancient Charges, as given in England, Scotland, and Ireland, we find the phrase “ *Order of Freemasonry.*”

As the Dean of the Guild of Correspondents, Brother DIEHL very properly extends a cordial welcome to new Scribes, inviting them to be seated and to “ take a home-made cigar,” explaining later, “ can’t afford to buy Havanas.”

Under Louisiana, commenting upon a resolution extending a welcome to the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine, Brother DIEHL says:

“ Would like to know what the Shrine has in common with Free Masonry. Although myself a Shriner, I would have voted against the resolution. Masonry is earnest work, the Shrine, frolic.”

Under Minnesota, we find a reference to this writer, whose name is shortened:

“ Here is another joke on himself which we find under Pennsylvania. Bro. Lambert [*sic*] called him ‘ Most Worsh. Past Grand Master ’ and never having occupied the Grand East, says: ‘ The writer has no claim to the distinguished title often conferred upon him by the guild; only a high private.’ ”

Whatever else we may have called Brother TODD, we never did and never will call him “ Worsh.” (whether

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“ Most,” “ Right ” or “ Left ”), which is a new abbreviation for “ Worshipful,” invented by Brother DIEHL, being used by him several times. —

We are surprised to have our Brother more than once express the hope that there will never be another conference of Grand Masters, “ it is dangerous, and might lead to the formation of a controlling Lodge that would, in course of time, take from the Grand Lodges of the United States their independence and sovereignty.” We believe our Brother’s fears to be absolutely groundless, and we say this, having had the pleasure of attending both the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences.

Pennsylvania for 1909 is reviewed: “ a beautiful volume in every respect ”; “ the world-famous Masonic Temple faces the title page.” “ The address of Grand Master Orlady,” delivered at the Annual, “ in which he expresses his views with characteristic clearness on many Masonic subjects, gives a detailed account of the year’s hard work.” A number of his decisions are quoted.

Our work is considered, Brother DIEHL saying:

“ Bro. Lamberton never neglects to express his opinion against pictures of Grand Masters wearing a shrine pin in their buttonhole. Quite right, too. We have crossed the burning sand, but that is something we never could stand for. As Bro. Vanderlieth, of Nevada, has it: ‘ It is time that the world be given to understand that the Shrine is quite apart from anything Masonic.’ ”

Number of Lodges, 15, a gain of one; initiated, 142; total number of Master Masons, 1779, a gain of 141.

Most Worshipful Brother GILBERT BENJAMIN PFOUTZ, of Salt Lake City, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, of Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## VERMONT—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Vermont, Free and Accepted Masons, held its One Hundred and Eighteenth Annual Communication in the City of Burlington, June 14 and 15, A.D. 1911, according to the statement on page 13. We find, however, only the Proceedings of the "First Day—Morning Session" given, and, so far as the record shows, this Grand Lodge is still open, there being no mention of its having been closed.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY L. BALLOU, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a graceful paper. He tells us the Fraternity is "increasing in numbers, wealth, influence and usefulness."

We must express our dissent from the following:

"It is to be earnestly desired that just so far as possible our own Grand Lodge should recognize masonic Grand Bodies in other countries whether they owe their origin to either York or Scottish Rite parentage. We are all engaged in the great work of freeing mankind from the various despotisms that have enslaved mind, conscience and action. The immediate task may differ as local conditions differ, but the aim is one: freedom to enjoy the God-given rights of man in the family, church and state."

We believe in the morality of the Ancient Craft, and just as one who applies for admittance must be "descended of honest parents," so we believe that no recognition should be given to bodies owing their origin to Scottish Rite parentage. We are not so sure as our Most Worshipful Brother seems to be as to the "aim."

He tells of the meeting of the Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, at Alexandria, on February 21 and 22 (we were present the second day):

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"I am in thorough sympathy with the object of this Association and the steps it has thus far taken meet with my cordial approval. Vermont masons, I believe, should be foremost in their support of this commendable enterprise."

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee which recommended that \$100 (the amount asked) be appropriated, and that Vermont become a member of the Association. We find no action on this report, or on another of the same Committee, approving the Grand Master's recommendation, a very sensible and practical one, that, in addition to his Past Grand Master's jewel, a Past Grand Master's apron be given hereafter to the retiring Grand Master.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother MARSH O. PERKINS, whose report last year, through illness, was not as complete as usual. We note with pleasure that our good Brother, with one exception the Senior Past Grand Master, is able to give us one of his fine reports, he summarizing ably and interestingly the more important matters of interest he comes upon. Grand Secretary Ross, whom Brother PERKINS describes as "a Prince of the Royal House in the realm of the Grand Secretariat," assured us that Pennsylvania should have "a double dose" this year; but, as our 1910 Proceedings were issued later than usual, we shall expect next year the "double dose" from Brother PERKINS, who surely will honor all drafts drawn by Brother Ross.

Brother PERKINS expresses his regret that a dispensation should have been issued in his Jurisdiction, permitting a Lodge to act as an escort to a Commandery on an occasion of a Templar burial service. We regret to note an increasing tendency on the part of our Brother to favor the relaxing the old requirement that one who seeks to enter the Fraternity should be "sound in all his limbs and members."

Under Kentucky (referring to Past Grand Master CLARKE):



“ Even if the Grand Master had not issued the edict, it would have been left to the discretion of the lodges as to the recognition of one, thus Scottish bred. There may be more in the case than appears on the surface, but however that may be, Brother Clarke can be assured that any specimen of the kind of Scottish Masonry will have to purge himself of contempt of jurisdictional law, before he will be accorded Masonic rights and privileges in Vermont.”

and on the subject of Lodge membership, our Brother, under Minnesota, asks :

“ Would not the ends of Freemasonry be better subserved if a limitation of membership was put at say 200 ? Even this number is considered excessive in many jurisdictions of English and Scotch constitutions. It is well known that a big membership does not necessarily increase the value and importance of Masonic labor. If any are inclined to doubt this they should turn to the Minnesota proceedings and examine carefully an interesting diagram of the comparative attendance in the Jurisdiction of large and small lodges, which presumably fairly illustrates the situation in other Grand Jurisdictions.”

Under Louisiana, calling Brother DUNCAN's attention to the attitude of Scotland when an infringement of her jurisdictional rights comes to the surface, Brother PERKINS says :

“ The canny Scot is wide-awake on such occasions, but closes his eyes with delightful blissfulness when the situation is reversed.”

Under New Jersey, referring to the Mississippi incident and Oklahoma's action, Brother PERKINS says :

“ Meanwhile we have not found New Jersey's star dimmed in aught, and personally believe that Oklahoma



will soon awaken to a realizing sense of the folly of her hasty, ill-considered action in 'butting in,' when discreet silence would have been far more effective in solving any possibly vexed problem than by the enunciation of 'papal bulls.' "

and under Oklahoma:

"We are of the opinion, however, that the latter will continue to pursue the even tenor of its way, and that our brethren of Oklahoma will soon discover they have overstepped all fraternal bounds by their ill-considered action, to say the least."

Under Utah, referring to Grand Secretary DIEHL's looking upon correspondence conducted through Grand Masters' Offices as a "fad," and professing to believe that "it was gotten up by some Grand Master because he wanted to be the whole IT for the short space of twelve months," Brother PERKINS well says:

"We believe it to be no 'fad,' but look upon the usage as affording the highest protection possible against lodges being imposed upon by clandestine bodies."

In his conclusion, our Brother writes interestingly as to the status of Freemasonry in Russia and the Orient; we quote him regarding the Philippines:

"In the Philippines, there have existed so-called Masonic bodies of Spanish origin, but all of them so far as known merely political and revolutionary clubs. Since 1898, and the American possession of the Islands, repeated efforts have been made to place pure Freemasonry upon a solid basis there, but without any remarkable success. Outside of a lodge or two in Manila, composed mainly of the officers,

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commissioned and non-commissioned, of the army and navy and business and professional men of foreign extraction, it may be said the Freemasonry known to us is utterly unknown. No legitimate effort can possibly stretch the mantle of 'The Universality of Masonry' in any direction to cover the teachings and practices of the death dealing, political organizations to be found in various parts of the Islands."

Pennsylvania for 1909, not 1910, as stated, is reviewed interestingly, being well summarized, and especial attention naturally being given to Grand Master ORLADY's address, Brother PERKINS saying:

"The report of other official duties includes a number of a routine nature, and all taken together reflect the pre-eminent ability with which he had administered the affairs of the Craft during the two years now brought to a close."

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"delivered his inaugural at this time, an eloquent effort, the keynote of which was Charity, the Masonic Homes and the preservation of the ancient usages of the Craft, after which the retiring Grand Master transmitted to his successor the signet ring, which had been the property of the late Past Grand Master, R. W. Robert A. Lamberton, etc."

Our report is duly considered and some of our views noted, he finding our review of Vermont "at once generous and fraternal."

Number of Lodges, 103; raised 536; total membership, 13,135, a gain of 204.

Most Worshipful Brother HENRY L. BALLOU, of Chester, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother HENRY H. ROSS, of Burlington, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## VICTORIA—1910.

THE United Grand Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of Victoria held Quarterly Communications in Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, March 16, June 15, September 21, and December 21, A.D. 1910, and a Special Communication was called "for Friday Evening, 20th May, 1910, to assemble in the Masonic Hall, Collins Street, as a Lodge of Sorrow on account of the death of His Late Majesty King Edward VII, who was Patron of the Grand Lodge of Victoria and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England." We suspect that "Freemasons' Hall" and "the Masonic Hall, Collins Street," are one and the same building.

Most Worshipful Brother His Excellency SIR THOMAS DAVID GIBSON CARMICHAEL, Bart., Grand Master.

Owing to illness, which had a fatal termination, Grand Secretary BRAIM was given leave of absence, and when it developed that he would be unable to resume his duties, generous provision was made for this efficient Brother, who had served his Grand Lodge faithfully for sixteen years.

In his address at the March Quarterly, the Grand Master spoke of the acquirement during the year of the building in which they were met, and of the improvements thereto, at a cost of about \$85,000.00.

In one of the debates, which are quite fully reported, we find a Brother referring to Victoria as "the Territory." We recall, in reviewing another of the States of the six (New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania), which make up the Commonwealth of Australia (each State having its own Parliament, Governor, Ministry and Judiciary), that the State was called "Dominion." Why these terms are used we do not know.

As a memorial of King EDWARD it was decided to raise



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a fund of \$10,000 to provide scholarships for the children of Freemasons.

No Committee or report on Correspondence.

Number of Lodges, 197; "new members," 365; total membership, 11,271.

Most Worshipful Brother SIR T. D. GIBSON CARMICHAEL, Bart., of Melbourne, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother CHARLES JAMES BARROT, Past Deputy Grand Master, of Melbourne, Grand Secretary.

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## VIRGINIA—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, began its One Hundred and Thirty-third Grand Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, on Tuesday, February 14, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, two evening and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. MCCHESENEY, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is well prepared and informing and somewhat terse. He was able to report more proficient Masons than ever known in the history of the Grand Lodge.

Under "Invitations," he reports:

"The Grand Master and a Past Grand Master of Pennsylvania, the Grand Master and a Past Grand Master of Virginia, had the honor of participating in re-installing Most Worshipful Brother Shryock for his 26th term.

"Maryland hospitality is known the world over, and I must say that from the moment I placed my foot on the soil of 'My Maryland,' until I reluctantly bade adieu, was received and treated with *magnified* Maryland hospitality."

We note with satisfaction in his address :

“Refused permission to Lodge to lay the corner-stone of a church on the Sabbath day, for reasons that I do not think necessary to repeat to a Masonic body.”

If it were our place to give an opinion, we should feel like saying that it would take much more than a living “Masonic encyclopedia,” to make us approve as “sound in all his limbs and members” one “who, owing to a stiff knee, could not bend his leg.”

Referring to the Masonic Home, the Grand Master justly says :

“We all agree that this institution of ours must be cared for, sustained, improved and placed upon a substantial basis. The hour and the day has arrived, in my judgment, when this Grand Body must provide such a permanent income that your Board can, with certainty, make their contracts, feeling and knowing that the funds will be in hand at a fixed time of the year. You must meet this by taxation, and it should be equal. The question is with you.”

He cordially approved the proposed Washington Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia: “The Mother State and the Masonic Mother of this illustrious Brother should enthusiastically approve, and with hand and heart join in the movement.” This matter was referred to the Committee on Propositions, but we do not find any report from the Committee.

For the frontispiece, we have the portrait of Grand Secretary CARRINGTON, the Grand Master stating when installing that dear Brother that his first edict would require this to be given.

Among the memorials adopted, was one to our friend Past Grand Master QUINN, whom we had the pleasure of especially welcoming (by direction of Grand Master TENNIS)



to our Washington Sesqui-centennial Celebration in 1902, when he, with the deputation of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, brought to us the Holy Bible upon which WASHINGTON had taken his obligations as a Mason. We learned with sorrow of his death.

Nine of the Lodges which had received dispensations were granted charters or warrants, two were not.

An amendment to a section of the "Methodical Digest" increased the fee for the Entered Apprentice degree from \$10 to \$15, \$5 to go for the Masonic Home.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Chairman of the Committee, our esteemed friend, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Doctor JOSEPH WILLIAM EGGLESTON, who seems to think his report not what it ought to be. The only explanation we can suggest is that, instead of joining with us in taking, in accord with our invitation, his *revised* prescription for our benefit, "ambrosia," he, by mistake took his first prescription, "Virginia lithia water."

Brother EGGLESTON, in spite of his modest thoughts as to his own work, has prepared a very interesting report, which will please the Brethren.

Under Arizona, referring to the visit of our Brother the President of the United States, to Aztlan Lodge No. 1, in that Jurisdiction, Brother EGGLESTON says:

"Well, we are a little jealous, as he has been in Richmond but has not visited a Lodge. However, we have had Wm. McKinley, who was made a Mason in Winchester; George Washington, and—but if we go on Arizona will be jealous. Besides we hope to have Bro. Taft visit a Virginia Lodge, perhaps, before this appears in print."

We are able to say that our Brother's hope was realized, for on February 22, 1911, Brother TAFT visited Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, as we can personally testify;



but unfortunately we did not have the pleasure of seeing Brother EGGLESTON. At that time, we had the pleasure of meeting Grand Master McCHESENEY, whom it was our pleasure to welcome at our celebration of the 125th Anniversary of our Independence on September 24 and 25, he also favoring the Craft with his presence at the laying of the cornerstone of the Grand Lodge Hall at Elizabethtown, on September 26.

Our Brother EGGLESTON is concerned about one thing, the want of a history of his Grand Lodge; under Colorado:

“And yet Virginia, the oldest existing Grand Lodge in America, takes no interest in her scattered relics and has no museum or written history. It is a shame.”

Again, Iowa:

“A properly written and published history of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, the oldest in America, could be sold at a considerable profit and should be written even if at a loss. Everything relating to their library, the greatest in the world—provided Bro. Parvin hereafter sends us his Bulletin, otherwise we will desert to Pennsylvania—interests this writer deeply.”

Under Connecticut, we quote with pleasure:

“There is no use or need for calling our book of statute law a constitution nor of giving it sacred and semi-divine power. Masonry should not copy civil government, but stand alone in its beauty and perfection. Originally autocratic, it adopted the democratic plan of the craft at large, choosing their own autocrat (or Grand Master) annually. Later the plan of Grand Lodge organization arose and a set of statutes became a necessity, but they should always be looked upon as the Grand Master's guide and not his master. The trouble is that in this country, states and a Union first of all the world adopted the plan of organic

written law and chose the word constitution for its specific name, thus, to a great degree, altering the original meaning of the word. Grand Masters should be carefully chosen from among those of Masonic learning and experience, and should always be men of conservative judgment and *good common sense*. Then, within the landmarks and 'usages of the fraternity,' their power should be unlimited. As we have often said, a perfect balance between autocracy and democracy is the only long-enduring system of government. We, in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia, and we hope in some other jurisdictions, have it. The best is Pennsylvania."

"Praise from SIR HUBERT, is praise indeed!"

Under Massachusetts, we quote:

"At the September Quarterly that grand old man, Sereno D. Nickerson, P. G. M., P. G. Sec. and Grand Historian, was present and vigorously combatted, even to the extent of ridicule, the latest, as he had for many years done, the earlier, claims of Pennsylvania as to Masonic seniority. We have never taken sides in this controversy and our attitude is one of regret that it ever arose. As early as 1721 there was a ship trading out of Boston named 'Freemason' and a street called Freemason street in Norfolk, Va., perhaps even earlier than that, probably Masonry at Jamestown, the oldest English settlement in America, and a stone found at Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, with Masonic emblems and the date 1606 carved upon it. None of us will ever know where on this continent Masonry first appeared, and as to the Grand Lodges Virginia repudiated Provincial Grand Masters and would have nothing to do with them. So we stand aside in this controversy and only say 'how long, oh Lord, how long?'

"In November Bro. Nickerson died and much of the volume is devoted to honoring his memory. He was a



graduate of Yale and of the Harvard Law School and the most learned Mason in America in his day."

We hope that the Masonic emblems on the Nova Scotia stone, mentioned in our Brother's third sentence, were not the plumb, level and square, for that sentence seems to us a little out of plumb. Perhaps our Brother, in view of the history of the Lodges at Winchester, Alexandria, and Portsmouth, Virginia, which were warranted by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and two of which renewed their warrants under the present Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, will explain about Virginia "repudiating Provincial Grand Masters."

Under Wisconsin, our Brethren will be interested in the following:

"We heartily echo Bro. Jenks' appeal to the God of Battles, but the picture has a bright side. In the midst of that dreadful war one influence alone lifted its votaries above their evil passions. While the services in our Churches, North and South alike, were perverted into appeals to the God of Battles for vengeance on our foes, Masonry was saving life, ministering to suffering and giving tender burial to the bodies of brethren, for the time foes. One prisoner, sentenced to be one of eight to be hung, as a retaliatory measure had another substituted for him, because he was a Mason and the substitute was not. A Union cavalry officer put a guard over our old Masonic Hall here in Richmond, the oldest in America, in all the confusion of the evacuation, burning and partial sack of the city, and Gen. Weitzel, a Pennsylvania Mason, had a meeting called in that old hall, at which many Union soldier Masons gathered, to devise measures of relief for the destitute families of our soldiers, still fighting them toward Appomattox.

"Wm. McKinley, who died the best loved American for one hundred years, was made a Mason in a Virginia Lodge because he saw his brother officers treating dirty, ragged



Confederate privates in the Winchester hospital exactly as they were treating their own wounded officers.

“ These things, and the list could be extended indefinitely, raise the question, Is not war in some of its aspects worth while? ”

Pennsylvania for 1909 receives our Brother's kindly attention. It seems that our “ immense volume is so arranged that it is difficult to review.” One must live and learn; we supposed that if the transactions of the March Quarterly, in the order in which they occurred, were arranged so as to be followed by those of the June Quarterly, and they by those of the September Quarterly, and they in turn by those of the December Quarterly, with the transactions of the Annual Grand Quarterly on Saint John the Evangelist's Day, when the installation of the Grand Officers takes place and the Grand Master delivers his annual address, coming last before the statistical and other matters making up the appendix, we were doing pretty well; indeed we may say that we doubt if our new Grand Secretary will venture any change.

As Brother EGGLESTON concedes that our Library and Museum are “ matchless,” we shall expect him, not to “ desert to,” but boldly march into our camp, from that of Iowa, as he above intimated he would do.

Referring to Grand Master ORLADY's address, when he speaks of the compliment paid him by the Grand Lodge of Maryland, as being “ in a minor sense a personal honor, but in the larger and better sense it is a high compliment conferred upon the Grand Lodge,” Brother EGGLESTON says, and, having also been present, we agree:

“ Having been present, we can testify that the personal honor far outweighed that intended for the Grand Lodge, for that splendid man, George B. Or lady, is held in high esteem in the Grand Lodge of Maryland and has earned and deserves all he receives.”

Brother EGGLESTON writes:

"A facsimile of the old warrant of 1761, establishing the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania under the Grand Lodge of Ancients in England, is published.

"These Provincial subordinate bodies were not the same as our Sovereign Grand Lodges of the present day, and the Virginia Lodges would none of them. It is not fair to add the years of their existence to that of a Sovereign Grand Lodge in order to add to its claim of age.

"Bro. Lamberton, who was a classmate of President Taft at Yale, gave Virginia a very fine review. He noticed everything in our volume that could possibly be of interest to his readers, and mingled his kind compliments with his charming humor.

"He does not admit the simple fact that the Grand Lodge of Virginia, dating from 1778, is the senior Grand Lodge in America, but we don't care. It is a fact of history, but none of us down here are controversial, and we greatly prefer to be known for our brotherly kindness than for hoary age.

"Of course he agrees with our Virginian attitude, that Masonry must officially recognize only Masonry and not other societies, even if composed only of Masons and called Masonic.

"We own up to the 'forty winks' as to Grand Master Kendrick's address and beg pardon.

"He agrees with us that Lodges are, and should be, called subordinate and not constituent.

"He kindly commented on our review under several heads, and not once said that George Wa——but no more of that we pray, as doubtless do our readers and his. We know him now for a jolly, charming fellow. (See Conn., Bro. L.)"

We have looked at Connecticut, and have quoted therefrom, so that our Brethren might "see."



In his 1911 report, our Brother refers to Virginia as being "oldest existing Grand Lodge in America," "the oldest in America," and "the senior Grand Lodge in America."

We confess to having been puzzled by this claim, but some light is thrown upon the subject by our Brother's remark we have just quoted: "It is not fair to add the years of their [*i.e.*, the Provincial "subordinate" Grand bodies] existence to that of a Sovereign Grand Lodge in order to add to its claim of age."

We are ready to concede that, whatever may be the age of our *present* Grand Lodge, Pennsylvania is the oldest Masonic Jurisdiction in America; we do not ask any further proof: we admit it.

Ordinarily Masonic Historians give Massachusetts as the first Grand Lodge to declare itself independent, and Virginia the second and Pennsylvania the third; but, as the Massachusetts Proceedings speak of the present Grand Lodge as "a new Grand Lodge" formed in 1792, by the union of "The Massachusetts Grand Lodge" and "The St. John's Grand Lodge," *if* (and it is a tremendous "if") you can accept Brother EGGLESTON's view, as to the years prior to National Independence, you may agree with his conclusion.

Our dear Brother's somewhat arbitrary method of sweeping away past years reminds us of the somewhat arbitrary derivation given by the late Bishop WILLIAMS of Connecticut, who asked one of his divinity students, how "Middletown" was derived from "Moses," and upon the student's confessing his ignorance, the Bishop replied, "Why you just cut off 'oses' and add 'iddletown,' and there you are!"

Number of Lodges, 312; raised, 1304; total membership, 21,782, a gain of 949.

Most Worshipful Brother WILLIAM B. MCCHESENEY, of Staunton, Grand Master, re-elected; Right Worshipful Brother GEORGE W. CARRINGTON, of Richmond, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



WASHINGTON—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington, began its Fifty-fourth Annual Communication in the City of Spokane (just where not being stated), on Tuesday, June 13, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, morning and afternoon sessions being held each day.

Most Worshipful Brother JEREMIAH NETERER, Grand Master.

A distinguished visitor was Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM A. DEWOLF SMITH, Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

The address of the Grand Master, whose portrait forms the frontispiece, is an interesting and thoughtful paper. He was asked for a dispensation permitting Masonic dedication of a hospital at the request of a church society, which he, as we view it, wisely declined to grant.

He granted dispensations for seven new Lodges. Our Brother is very confident regarding "Masonic clubs."

From his address, we quote:

"I believe that Masonry is worth while; that it stands for something. I believe that it is as enduring as the hills and that in the upbuilding of our institutions and in the advancement of our civilization its influence has been and will be a strong agency in the constructive order of things that are of real value. Masonry, if it is anything, is a constructive institution, and if it would advance with the advancing civilization it must develop into a strong constructive force, and form into active operation the growing mind of today, which will be the ruling force tomorrow. We must impress upon every neophyte not only the signs and secrets of this institution, but also impress upon his memory and inspire into his life and into the life of every individual the principles of Masonry which are contained within the extended points of the compasses, and place upon

the trestle-board of life designs which should and must govern every man who enters its portals, and inspire every person with whom we may come in contact."

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"We are constantly reminded in every admonition that is given us from the time we enter the threshold of Masonry that our first duty is to God; our next to our country, our neighbor and ourselves. We are repeatedly reminded of our duty to the widow and the orphan, and to protect the chastity of the family of our brother. What greater service can Masonry do as a constructive force than to assist the young and growing mind? There is a great opportunity for Masonry in this jurisdiction; yea, in the world. The boy of today is the man of tomorrow, and as the mind of the boy is trained so will the man be. The future of our sacred institution and of our country depends upon the boy and the girl of today."

The Committee on Masonic Home made a detailed report as to possible sites, and that at Puyallup, offered by Corinthian Lodge, No. 38, was selected.

The record states, "Claiming it as his prerogative, M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Kuhn offered a motion to make the election of Grand Officers a special order for, &c." Just how long this good Brother has been making this particular motion, we do not know, but we see he made it in 1899.

Brother JOHN W. FLESHER, Grand Orator, made an interesting address, in which he gave instances of good works by Masons.

Addresses were delivered in memory of Past Grand Masters SMITH and ZIEGLER. Brother JOSEPH SMITH was born in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, October 21, 1828, and left for California in 1852, arriving in Washington twenty years later.

From a special report by Past Grand Master CHADWICK,



regarding the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, we quote; after telling of the secession in the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, he continues:

“It will thus be seen that the seceders are in possession of the name ‘Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico,’ while the *persons* who have induced recognition on the part of American and English Lodges are in control of the York Grand Lodge. Each party has denounced the other as irregular.

“Assuming that there has ever been regular Masonry, as distinguished from regular Masons, in the Republic of Mexico, we have no hesitation in saying that the York Grand Lodge is, as between the contending factions, the regular body. It represents the York, or American rite, whereas the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, as at present dominated, represents the Scottish rite and works the Scottish ritual. The one is independent of the Scottish rite; the other is subordinate to and subject to the will of the Supreme Council. As we have frequently suggested, the differences between these bodies are racial or temperamental rather than Masonic. The Latin can see no virtue in the democratic practices of the Anglo-Saxon. He despises tyranny, unless he be the tyrant. He hates royalty, but is flattered by its notice. He protests a love of liberty, but will sacrifice every principle of human right for the privilege of wearing even a mock symbol of authority. Therefore, so long as the Scottish rite offers the reward of authority to the few, the Latin will patronize it to the exclusion of all other forms of Freemasonry. He loves the scarlet and the gold, the silk and ermine, he can understand that they mean authority, but he is utterly unable to comprehend the significance of the lamb skin or white leather apron. Hence York rite Masonry is impossible among the Latins. They can’t understand it or, understanding it, they cannot comprehend its purpose or adopt its practices. The Latin is restless and too often treacherous. He is a plotter, and readily adopts the Lodge



as a place and Masonry as a means to work his political schemes. The attempt to mix incongruous elements has resulted in failure in Mexico as it must everywhere. This failure is admitted by our American brethren there domiciled, and its cause is but illy concealed.

“The real question is, therefore, Shall we encourage the form of Masonry adopted and approved by us, the so-called York rite, in a country where the environment and the temper of the great mass of those who are eligible to become Masons must, for all of our time at least, be opposed to it?

“The York Lodge has asked for and hopes to receive recognition from all of those Grand Lodges now or formerly in communication with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Until they have acted I deem it unwise for this Grand Lodge to act, and even though such recognition be obtained, the question of policy is still open. If, as the reports suggest, the York Grand Lodge is American and is to be kept American in membership as well as ritual, it might be well to recognize it; but if it is to be subject to the schisms and treacheries of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico as we have known it in the past, we had better leave Mexico to that form of Masonry adapted to its soil—the Scottish rite. The time is not ripe for us to answer these questions.

“For the present, therefore, I advise that no action be taken by this Grand Lodge.”

The Grand Master believed that either the “lecture system” or the “deputy system” must be abolished. We are not sure, but think the latter was abolished, and we note two District Deputy Lecturers were authorized, one for Alaska, the other to assist the Grand Lecturer.

The report on Correspondence is by the Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother STEPHEN J. CHADWICK, his last, we regret to say. Our Brother tells us his belief is that a Correspondence reporter should be “a live wire, and for that reason is giving up the job.”

## REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Our Brother, while approving the purposes of "Masonic clubs," balks at the name "Masonic," and suggests the title "Trowel."

Under Maryland, our Brother states that that Grand Lodge recognized Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico; this is a mistake; the proposition was postponed until the November or Annual Communication, and then nothing was done, at least so far as the record shows.

Under Nova Scotia, we agree:

"It was decided that, although the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was not in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Italy, yet, inasmuch as no edict of non-intercourse had ever been promulgated, a member of a Lodge subordinate to that Grand Lodge could be received as a visitor.

"We do not concur in this ruling. It is time enough to receive visitors from the Latin Lodges when we are assured that they are entitled to recognition. The Grand Lodge of Italy being in fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France is enough to condemn its membership."

and under Tennessee:

"Among the questions asked and answered was that ancient and ever perennial one, 'Can a minister of the gospel, or preacher, be received into a Masonic Lodge without payment of regular fees.' In this, our last sitting at the round table, we are glad to say farewell to this hoary old marionette. We met him when we were a novice at the work, and now as we retire, we note the sprightliness of his manner and the light in his eye, which indicates that his life had but begun. VAUX, DRUMMOND, VINCIL, ROBBINS, CUNNINGHAM and others of like character have come and gone, but even their talents and persuasion were unequal to the task. If they have failed to kill off the old man, why should we try? He has gotten on the back of every Grand Master and probably



on the backs of King Solomon and Sir Christopher Wren, who *are said* to have been Grand Masters. It is not surprising that he should find Bro. BYRN a victim to his wiles. For fear that it may not be understood in this jurisdiction, let us say now and for all time: No, brother, a minister of the gospel is not to be exempted from fees or dues because of his calling."

In his valedictory, he says:

"If, in the heat of discussion, I have said aught that has given offense, I pray that it be forgiven and forgotten. I have endeavored to be just in my judgments, and fair in my criticisms. If I have praised, it was because I thought praise was due; if I have condemned, it has been for the sake of the Masonic institution as I conceive it to be, and not from any desire to be captious or malicious. I have not willfully watered my words with flattery or tinctured my speech with the bitterness of acrimony."

The more important of the doings in Pennsylvania in 1910 are noted, and a number of extracts given from the report of the Committee on Landmarks, Brother YERKES's address on the Washington portrait presented by Brother WANAMAKER, and Grand Master GUTHRIE's address. Our report is noted and the writer kindly commended.

We hope our Brother CHADWICK may be spared in good health and strength to his Brethren of Washington, and to the Craft at large for many years to come.

Number of Lodges, including eight under dispensation, 178; initiated, 1350; total membership, 15,676, a gain of 1203.

Most Worshipful Brother DAVID S. PRESCOTT, of Spokane, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother HORACE W. TYLER, of Tacoma, Grand Secretary, re-elected.



## WEST VIRGINIA—1910.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of West Virginia began its Forty-fifth Annual Communication in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Hinton, on Wednesday, November 16, A.D. 1910, and closed the following day, three sessions being held. As the first lasted from 7.30 P.M. to 11.30 P.M. and was followed by "the usual banquet, prepared and served under the superintendence of the ladies of the Eastern Star Chapter, who received universal praise for the elegant manner of its service and the toothsome-ness of the abundance of the good things provided," it is not surprising that the second did not begin until 2 P.M.

Most Worshipful Brother FRANK WELLS CLARK, Grand Master.

After reporting his activities during the year, in an interesting way, the Grand Master's address deals with "the meaning of Masonry and the place it should and does occupy in the life of the world," which is well worthy of perusal; we quote from his conclusion:

"To-day, then, my brethren, let us renew allegiance to the principles of the great Order to which we belong. In Masonry we find the most splendid of all philosophies of life and morals, the concentrated wisdom of all the generations of men who have lived and suffered and labored and to-night rest in dreamless sleep in quiet cities of the dead. So Masonry means, not only the garnered wisdom stored up in lectures and books, but more especially that wisdom which becomes part of the life."

It was a sad duty to chronicle the death of the Senior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother JOHN DUNDAR BAINES, "a tireless worker, a learned Mason, a sound scholar."

Under "Visitations—Foreign" we quote:

"The Baltimore Conference of Grand Masters emphatically reaffirmed everything agreed upon at the Philadelphia Conference, and was particularly emphatic in stating that these Conferences in no sense could be regarded as a movement towards a National Grand Lodge."

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"On January 19th, 1910, I attended the banquet given by his Lodge, Franklin Lodge No. 221, F. & A. M., in Pittsburg, to R. W. George W. Guthrie, the new Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, the addresses on this occasion being delivered by Grand Master Guthrie, Past Grand Master George B. Orlady, of Philadelphia, General Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Master of Masons in Maryland, and the Grand Master of Masons in West Virginia. On behalf of this Grand Lodge, I expressed my appreciation of the many courtesies extended on this occasion."

In his report as Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master HOWARD calls attention to the necessity of creating a Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to be supervised by a committee of the Grand Lodge, and such a committee was authorized and appointed. He records the receipt of "Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, Vol. 2."

(In passing we might note that the two sentences on pages 1152 and 1155 seem to be a little out of plumb.)

In a special report, Past Grand Master HOWARD, as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, tells of the split in the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and makes no recommendation; recommends that the proposal of the Grand Lodge of Oregon "to adopt a uniform system of dimitts for use in the different Subordinate Lodges, designating them by classes," be declined, and also believes it would be unwise for the Grand Lodge to join in protesting against the unfair and inhuman treatment of the Jews and other oppressed



classes in the Empire of Russia, and his report was concurred in.

Brother VIRGIL A. LEWIS, Worshipful Master of Clifton Lodge, No. 23, and State Archivist and Historian, by request addressed the Grand Lodge on "Early Freemasonry in West Virginia," in an able and interesting manner. The address is printed in the appendix. There is an obvious misprint in the date of the first Virginia Lodge, "Royal Exchange" No. 172, in the "Borough of Norfolk in Virginia," "First Thursday, December, 1833." Doubtless 1733 was intended, but against this must be set the correction to 1753, to be found in page 1419 of Volume V of MACKAY and SINGLETON'S "History of Freemasonry," and page 259 of Volume IV of GOULD'S "History of Freemasonry" (YORSTON'S edition).

LANE'S "Masonic Records, 1717-1894," page 101 (second edition), gives the date of the warrant as December 22, 1753.

Our Pennsylvania Brethren will be interested in what is said of one of our old Lodges:

"In my quest for information regarding the western extension of Freemasonry, I found many references to its existence in the lower Shenandoah Valley—now Berkeley and Jefferson counties in West Virginia, and Frederick county in Virginia—full ten years before the formation of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Thus perplexed, I, in May of this year, wrote to Brother William A. Sinn, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Pennsylvania, requesting him to kindly give me any information he might possess regarding the presence of early Freemasonry in the lower Shenandoah Valley. Imagine my surprise and pleasure as well when, a few days later, I received from him a very kind letter in which, in reply to my request, he said:

" "Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 12, at Winchester, Frederick County, State of Virginia, was by the Grand



Lodge of Pennsylvania granted a warrant October 4, 1768, —nine years before the beginning of the Revolution—to James Gamul Dowdall, Master; James Lindsey, Senior Warden; and Samuel DAVIS, Junior Warden.' This warrant thus issued, was by this Grand Lodge returned to that body and by it renewed March 17, 1787. [The Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania having closed forever on September 25, 1786, and the same day the present independent Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania having been formed, the various Lodges were requested "to surrender up to this Grand Lodge their present Warrant, and accept a fresh Warrant under the authority of this Grand Lodge, which will be granted to them free of any expense."—J. M. L.] On the 5th of January, 1807, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania granted to Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 12 leave to resign from this warrant, that it might make application to the Grand Lodge of Virginia for a charter. This it did, and the Grand Lodge of Virginia, on the 16th of December, the same year, caused a charter to issue to this Lodge, as Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 21, of the Grand Jurisdiction of Virginia.

"But something, if possible more pleasing than the letter from Brother Grand Secretary Sinn, was a package of age-browned papers containing the records of old Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 12, which came from him by express, and which he assured me he had taken from pigeon-holes in the archives of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in which they had not been disturbed for more than a hundred years. From these it is learned that this Lodge had worked regularly for full ten years from 1768, up to and into the beginning of the Revolution. Then its members engaged in the defense of American homes against the Britton from the sea, and the savage from the wilderness. To such an extent did they do this, that Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 12 was forced to become dormant, and in this condition continued until the close of the Revolution. Then came a sad recital. This

is recorded in the minutes of the first meeting after the close of that war. At the risk of taxing the patience of this Grand Lodge, I copy the following from these minutes:

“ ‘At a Lodge summoned by Brother James Gamul Dowdall, the second day of February, 1785; present, Brother Samuel May, Brother Edward McGuire, Brother David Kennedy, and Brother James Gamul Dowdall, attended in consequence of said summons.

“ ‘With melancholy countenances, in great distress, we approached our once agreeable Lodge Room, where with poignant feelings we called to mind the many happy evenings we met, a numerous and very worthy number of brothers assembled in order to do every honor in their power to the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons. Finding ourselves reduced to the present number (four) (we) could not help taking a retrospective view of our absent, dearly beloved brethren.

“ ‘The first presented to said view was our worthy Brother John Humphreys; he fell at Quebec within a few paces of the Honorable General Montgomery; next, Brother Angus McDonald died from the fatigue of a severe campaign against the Indians; Brother Peter Helpenstine died of wounds received in Carolina, a few days after returning to his family and friends here; Brother Morgan Alexander killed in Virginia; Brother John Lewis killed in Carolina; Brother Thomas Craig died of wounds received in an engagement under Colonel Thurston; Brother Russell dead; Brother McBride gone to Ireland; Brother Samuel Dobee and Brother John Russell removed to Carolina; Brother Edmond Taylor, Brother Dorsey Pentacost (and) Brother Buloe removed over the Alleghany Mountains; and Brother Benjamin Ashby, Brother John Timberlake and Brother William Campbell removed to different parts of the globe.’

“ Thus it was that at this meeting, it is shown that there were but four living brothers of the membership as it was



at the beginning of the Revolution. But Winchester Hiram Lodge No. 12 was not dead; it resumed labor and at the time it was attached to the Virginia Jurisdiction—1807—it had entered, passed and raised one hundred and forty-three members.”

The portrait of the incoming Grand Master forms properly the frontispiece. Brother STOKES is a native of Germantown, Pennsylvania, and a graduate of Lehigh University, having taken two degrees there (Bachelor of Science and Engineer of Mines), and one later at Washington and Lee University (Bachelor of Laws).

The report on Correspondence is the fifth from the present Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother HIRAM R. HOWARD, and it is full of interest.

Under California, we quote:

“It is well known among all Masonic students and writers that the Grand Orient of Spain, its Lodges which owe allegiance to the Grand Lodge subordinate to and controlled within its body, are not recognized, nor are they recognizable by Ancient Craft Masons, if for no other reason than their utter disregard and violation of a universal fundamental law prohibiting the invasion of the territorial jurisdiction of another Grand Lodge. This the Grand Orient of Spain has done in our sister jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, where it maintains a spurious organization known as a Regional Grand Lodge, that charts irregular Lodges. And it may be doing the same thing in other Grand Jurisdictions; at least it is so reported.”

Our Brother with quiet dignity replies to some rather too flippant remarks of a Brother regarding Masonic Charity as administered in West Virginia.

Under Illinois, our Brother quotes from “a well considered argument” of Brother SCOTT as to the legitimacy of the Grand Lodge of Egypt, in part as follows:



“The fact that this Egyptian body has seen fit to confer upon a most distinguished and worthy Mason an honorary title can in no way effect the legitimacy of origin or the independent sovereignty of the National Grand Lodge of Egypt. Both of these are essential to any form of recognition, qualified or otherwise.”

In view of our Brother's apparent approval of the foregoing, we are at a loss to understand his recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, which concededly was formed by the division of one Lodge into three, and which now proposes to surrender its sovereignty by dividing authority with another body.

Under Massachusetts, our Brother says:

“Heretofore the title of Past Grand Masters in Massachusetts has been Right Worshipful, thus reducing their title and rank from Most Worshipful. This was corrected by an amendment to the Constitution, giving them the rank of Most Worshipful. Only one American Grand Lodge gives its Grand Master the title of Right Worshipful, and that is Pennsylvania, which is also the title of its Grand Lodge.”

If our Brother will turn to the English “Constitutions of 1723” (he has doubtless in his office the facsimile edition of FRANKLIN'S 1734 reprint of that work, issued by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1906), or to the Irish “Constitutions of 1730,” he will there note that the title of the Grand Master is “Right Worshipful.” Other Jurisdictions saw fit to change, but Pennsylvania has clung to the old usage. In Scotland the Past Grand Master is entitled “Right Worshipful,” but the English Constitutions provide that Brother with no title whatever.

We see Brother HOWARD has made up his mind as to “the oldest Grand Lodge in America.” It has been well said, “None of us is infallible, not even the youngest.”

Under Oregon, we agree with our Brother: "No General Grand Lodge, with or without power, for me."

As a Churchman, Brother HOWARD was interested "to see what a full-fledged Bishop of my Church and a Grand Master of Masons looked like," and in the Grand Master of Western Australia and the Bishop of Perth, he was "agreeably gratified at seeing a well-developed, good-looking man of mature years with an intelligent countenance, showing love and kindness for his fellow men."

We do not recall any other Bishop of our Church who was a Grand Master of Masons: the Rev. Dr. GEORGE M. RANDALL, who was Grand Master of Massachusetts in 1852-54, was consecrated the first Missionary Bishop of Colorado in 1865.

We agree again with Brother HOWARD when he says:

"This 'shriner' button business is, in my opinion, very poor taste to say the least, in the portrait of so dignified a personage as a Grand Master of Masons."

Pennsylvania for 1909 is well reviewed. Our Brother mentions the two cases of gross irregularity reported by our Committee on Appeals, at the June Quarterly, and adds:

"I have especially referred to these cases, for nothing is more reprehensible or can be more severely censured or punished than tampering with the rights of others in connection with the ballot and the ballot box. The harmony and stability of the Fraternity rests upon the fairness, secrecy and unanimity of the ballot, with a free and untrammelled exercise of its use and power, without let or hindrance."

The presence of West Virginia's honored Grand Master at the same Communication is noted, as is the gift by Brother WANAMAKER of the ancient Scroll of the Law, the address of Grand Chaplain KRAUSKOPF in presenting the



gift being "a mine of information on the subject of copies of the Scroll of the Law."

Two lengthy extracts are given from Grand Master ORLADY's address, and, some of his decisions are "not in accord with West Virginia regulations, custom and usage."

Our report ("a pleasing one") is noted, and in answer to our wondering in how many Jurisdictions the law is as decided by Grand Master BRYAN, that a Brother who is a member of a Lodge "having concurrent jurisdiction," though not a member of the Lodge where the ballot is taken, may object, even if the ballot is clear and has the same effect as a black ball, Brother HOWARD says:

"I would say that at this writing I have not noticed any adverse criticism from the members of the guild, but on the contrary have read comments of approval, one of them declaring it right, because the ballot is not simply for initiation into a particular Lodge, but for membership in the great body of Universal Freemasonry. If a Grand Master, as in Pennsylvania, has the prerogative to deny advancement to a brother because he is not under the tongue of good Masonic report, by the same token a brother of a Lodge having concurrent jurisdiction with another should have the right of objection to initiation for reasons similar or akin thereto."

He also explains that the "Big 4 Building in Hinton" "is owned and used by several fraternal organizations of railroad men and others as places for holding meetings of their Lodges and for social entertainments."

Apparently our Brother still holds to "the belief that the making of a person under 21 years of age a Mason is while he is 'in non-age' and is as much a violation of the landmark on the subject as if he were a bond-man, a woman, or any other of the interdicted class," in spite of the ancient law in Scotland.



## WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Number of Lodges, including one under dispensation, 143; initiated 1231; total membership, 14,079, a gain of 872.

Most Worshipful Brother WYNDHAM STOKES, of Welch, Grand Master; Most Worshipful Brother HIRAM R. HOWARD, of Point Pleasant, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1911.

THE Grand Lodge of Western Australia of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons held the usual Quarterly Communications in July and October, A.D. 1910, January and April (the Annual), 1911, at Freemasons' Hall, Perth, and a "Special Communication and In Memoriam Service" for His Late Majesty, King EDWARD VII, Protector of Freemasonry and Patron of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, in St. George's Hall, Perth, on Friday, May 28, 1910.

Most Worshipful Brother The Right Reverend CHARLES OWEN LEAVER RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master.

The memorial service was very impressive. We quote from the interesting address of the Grand Master, showing the activities of the late King:

"He became King, as you remember, when he was well on in life, when he had been doing for years the work of a King without its responsibility; that must have been, and was, a most trying period for any man; and yet he nobly fulfilled his duty and earned a period of kingship which has been cut far too short, as we are inclined to think. Now from our point of view this evening I want to remind you of the Masonic history of the King. He was initiated in the year 1868 in Stockholm by the King of Sweden, and then he was elected in 1874 Grand Master of the Grand

Lodge of England. Now that seems a very simple announcement, but when we remember the trying period through which the Grand Lodge was then passing, and how that in the moment of difficulty the Prince stepped in and took the reins and not only saved the situation, but made the Grand Lodge of England what it was, you will then understand what a great blessing it was to the craft. The Prince not only willing but brave enough as a young man to fulfil this duty, and when he undertook the work he fulfilled it, I was going to say right royally; I am glad that one can use that word 'royally' of Royalty—they do their duty royally. He was no figure head; he worked very hard as Grand Master, and not only that, but he served the office of W.M. in Appollo University Lodge, Oxford, the Royal Alpha Lodge, London, and from 1874 to his accession all that time he was W.M. of the Prince of Wales Lodge, London. Speaking about the Prince being initiated and becoming the Grand Master, it may interest some of you to know that from the year 1737 to 1874 no less than fifteen Princes of Great Britain and Ireland have been admitted as Freemasons, three being Princes of Wales.

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“ In 1890 he installed his own son, the Duke of Clarence, as Provincial Grand Master of Berkshire.

“ I give you a list of some of the Masonic functions that the Grand Master of England then took part in. You will see that it is all over the world. He laid the foundation stones or memorial stones of the following buildings:

“ The docks at Bombay.

“ Market at Gibraltar.

“ Post office, Glasgow.

“ Cathedral at Truro (where he was the Duke of Cornwall).

“ The Indian Institute at Oxford.



“ The Institute of Science, Art and Literature at York.

“ Chapel of the Schools of the Royal Asylum of St. Anne's.

“ Hospital, Great Yarmouth.

“ Technical Schools, Blackburn.

“ Centenary Hall of the Royal Masonic Institute for Girls.

“ Sutherland Institute at Longton.

“ Christ's Hospital at Horsham.

“ All these being laid with Masonic honors.

“ Until the Prince came to the Throne he was the Grand Master of England, and to those of us who were English Freemasons our Grand Master in Western Australia. When he began to reign the Duke of Connaught became Grand Master and the King became Patron of our Grand Lodge; and he is also the Protector of Freemasonry.”

As the Grand Lodge of Scotland has not been always as fraternal, to put it mildly, as it might be, we are glad to note the following in the address of the Grand Master at the June Quarterly:

“ Some time ago we learned of a proposal to transfer the almost defunct Glendevon Lodge, No. 938 S.[cottish] C.[onstitution], from Albany to Collie, where the Board of General Purposes had just declined to recommend an application for the establishment of a second Lodge there under our Constitution, on the grounds that Collie at present did not offer sufficient scope for two Lodges. Immediately on this becoming known the Grand Secretary addressed a respectful and fraternal communication to the District Grand Master protesting against the transfer, and asking that no further action be taken until we had the opportunity of placing our views before the Grand Lodge of Scotland. To this



course the District Grand Master consented. We held that such an action as that contemplated was equivalent to the establishment of a new Lodge, and would be opposed to the spirit of our agreement. These and other objections we laid before the authorities in Edinburgh, and I am pleased to say that a reply has been received saying it had been unanimously agreed not to sanction the transfer for various reasons, one of them being that it would not be in accordance with the arrangement so happily concluded between the two Grand Lodges some time ago. This reply has given the greatest satisfaction, and shows an earnest desire on the part of the Grand Lodge of Scotland to unite with the Grand Lodge of Western Australia in promoting the best interests of the Craft in this State."

We are glad to see that a recommendation of the Board of General Purposes, that the Grand Lodge direct that a separate copy of the Volume of the Sacred Law be provided for each candidate whereon to take his several obligations, the Grand Lodge to supply all Lodges with the copies free of cost, was negatived. The proposition was made for "hygienic reasons," as "hundreds and possibly thousands salute the V. S. L. on the same page year after year!"

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by the Committee, viz.: Brothers F. A. McMULLEN (11), J. S. BATTYE, the Deputy Grand Master (8), P. G. D. LAVATER (6), A. C. McCULLUM (9), FRANK NICHOLAS (9), H. A. HUNT, the Grand Treasurer (6), and J. D. STEVENSON, the Grand Secretary (5).

Under Virginia, Brother BATTYE tells us:

"Bro. Stevenson does not write all the reviews; the work is evenly distributed amongst a Committee and each review is signed by the brother who writes it. I mention this because I am sure Bro. Stevenson would object to father all

the opinions expressed. Being a Scotchman he is naturally cautious."

We have placed in parenthesis after the names of these Brethren the number of reviews signed with their initials. We find that "J. W. E. A.," whoever he may be, has prepared four reviews, while two are unsigned. This we regret, for we wanted to be "shown" by the Brother who reviewed Missouri, what it means to "have a 'derry' on."

Brother McMULLEN's way of asking for information, "Will somebody strike a light?" is good. Brother LAVATER does not agree with the writer of the review of New Mexico as to the Grand Master's prerogative to make a Mason "at sight."

Brother HUNT tells us:

"We can only repeat what we have written before, namely, that Masonry is a luxury, and that no one should belong to a Masonic Lodge who cannot support the Order, and no Lodge should be formed which does not show every prospect of being able to not only support itself but to help in promulgating the fundamental precepts of the Order."

Under Ohio, Brother McCULLUM well says:

"After Grand Lodge had been opened in ample form by the Grand Master M.W. Bro. B. F. Perry, a number of distinguished brethren were welcomed, all with very high-sounding titles. With the exception of M.E. Companion Frank Crumit, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio, we are unable to recognise any of the others as having any connection with what is commonly known as Blue Masonry.

"We had always understood that a brother visiting a Lodge or Grand Lodge would receive honours in accordance with the regalia he wears; and we wonder if these distin-



guished brethren wore regalia in keeping with their titles, and if so, how they obtained admission into Grand Lodge."

Under Utah, Brother BATTYE, who was re-appointed Deputy Grand Master, referring to the Grand Master's address, says:

"In it he points out that as far as numbers go the increase was the greatest since 1873, yet there are still many Masons whose only acquaintance with the Lodge room is perhaps once a year, on election night. As some remedy, which would in some degree lessen this evil, he advocated the custom of requiring a certain period to elapse between degrees, and recommended two weeks as the time. This was afterwards approved by Grand Lodge. Too short, brethren, too short; a man who can be a fully fledged M.M. within thirty days of his initiation, is not likely to be impressed with the fact that Masonry is either difficult or exclusive. We have recently extended the time between degrees from one to two MONTHS, and in the opinion of many of us the period is still not long enough. What is easily gained is often lightly held, and the more difficult the M.M. degree is made the more ardently is it desired, and the greater the estimation in which it is held."

Brother McCULLUM reviews Pennsylvania for 1909. We quote:

"This Grand Lodge is making great effort to bring the management of all Masonic Charities in the State under its control, which would seem to be a 'consumation devoutly to be wished,' but they have to reckon with an already established body, the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania Corporation, who at present do not seem inclined to allow their Institution to be absorbed by the greater scheme, and who certainly show great skill in fencing questions.

"The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is in that State THE



Masonic Authority, and if it desires, for the better conduct of Masonic Charity, to have all such Institutions under its control, and has carried a resolution to that effect, surely it would be more in keeping with the teachings of the Craft that the Masonic Home Corporation should yield gracefully to the desires expressed by resolution in Grand Lodge. Freemasonry is not an Institution for the glorification of individuals or boards, and as Craftsmen we should at all times be prepared to sacrifice our own desires for the general good of the brethren."

We are able to say that the faithful and devoted Brethren, who have managed and developed the Masonic Home of Pennsylvania (Corporation), believe, and have so resolved, that it is desirable to meet the wishes of the Grand Lodge, if it can be done without jeopardy to its property rights or violation of any trusts, and after proper consideration of the problems involved, no doubt the way will be found for the Grand Lodge to take charge of and fully execute all of the trusts.

Grand Master ORLADY'S address and decisions receive attention, and our report is kindly considered and quotations are made therefrom. Brother McCULLUM well says:

"There is too much desire to-day, to endeavour to make our ritual what is called 'up to date' and to make our proceedings similar to those of benefit societies.

"We practice Antient Free and Accepted Masonry, and do not let us forget that fact or permit others to do so."

Number of Lodges, 87; initiated, 229; total membership, 3733, a gain of 43.

Most Worshipful Brother The Right Reverend C. O. L. RILEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Perth, Grand Master, re-elected; Very Worshipful Brother J. D. STEVENSON, of Perth, Grand Secretary, re-appointed.

## WISCONSIN—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Wisconsin began its Sixty-seventh Annual Communication in the Masonic Building, in the City of Milwaukee, on Tuesday afternoon, June 13, A.D. 1911, and closed two days later, two morning and two afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother ERNEST E. GATCHELL, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is an excellent report of an interesting year's work. His words regarding "Charity" are well chosen and appropriate.

There does not seem to be any definite rule in the use of the title "Brother" in these "Transactions," as they are called; and, by one of those curious slips hard to explain, the name of the Jurisdiction is misspelled on the cover page.

In his annual report, Grand Secretary PERRY expressed his thanks for the action taken the year before, by which a commodious home in a desirable portion of the city of Milwaukee was provided for that good Brother. Additional clerical assistance was authorized for the Brother. Memorials of three deceased Brethren, Past Grand Treasurer PERELES, Past Grand Master GIFFIN, and Past Grand Senior Warden MOORE, were presented, and portraits of the Brethren are given.

The Gran Logia Soberana de Puerto Rico was recognized, and the recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence, that the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin decline giving its adhesion to the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs at Neuchatel, Switzerland, was adopted.

In the Transactions we find the following:

" FLAG DAY.

" This being Flag Day, Brothers John Corscot and James G. Monahan, Past Grand Masters, addressed the brethren of



Grand Lodge upon the subject of patriotism and love for Old Glory.

“At this time Brother Charles A. Brigden, Worshipful Master of Independence Lodge, No. 80, entered the Grand Lodge bearing a United States flag which was placed in the Grand East and a vote of thanks was extended to Brother Brigden.”

We like the reserve with which the names of beneficiaries are withheld in the report of the Committee on Charity.

A tribute was paid to the memory of the late Brother General JOHN CORSON SMITH, Past Grand Master of Illinois, to whom only was given the compliment of an election to honorary membership in the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

We note with pleasure the appointment of Past Grand Master JENKS as the Installing Officer when the time came for the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is the fourteenth by the present Committee, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother ALDRO JENKS, and it is as usual interesting and informing. We must confess to being somewhat amused at our dear Brother's fears regarding a possible General Grand Lodge; we can assure Brother JENKS that, if and when a General Grand Lodge is formed in these United States, we know of one Grand Lodge that will *not* take part, and we are quite sure that he may rest at ease on this subject.

Under California, after quoting a portion of the report of the Special Committee on the Status of Masonry in the Philippines, as we have done in this report, where the Committee refer to the authority claimed by Scottish Rite Supreme Councils to charter what are called Blue or Symbolic Lodges, and say “the recognition of such bodies cannot be brought about without violating the landmarks of Masonry,” Brother JENKS proceeds:



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“ This is the position long held by the writer, and later by Brother DeWolf Smith of British Columbia, Jackson of New Jersey, Kuykendall of Wyoming, Greenleaf of Colorado, and of which doctrine Brother Joseph Robbins of Illinois was probably the strongest advocate. There is no ground for any other logical conclusion. It is only by prating about the universality of Masonry that these successors of the degree peddlers of the nineteenth century, and their defenders, can so befog the matter as to mislead one to the conclusion that such nondescript bodies may be recognized by legitimate Grand Lodges. There is far more reason for recognizing the negro Lodges, Grand and Subordinate of the United States, (for they *can* trace some connection with the Grand Lodge of England) than to recognize as legitimate Masons made under the authority of Grand Councils, for they have no warrant more respectable than the unauthorized acts of John Mitchell and Frederick Dalcho. Even then it requires the assertion of an authority to which Messrs. Dalcho and Mitchell made no pretensions, that of having a right to confer the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry or chartering Lodges in which they might be conferred; a right expressly repudiated by the parent Grand Council of the world, that of the Southern Grand Jurisdiction of the United States, and by its eldest sister, the Supreme Council of the Northern Grand Jurisdiction. It is a matter of surprise that writers can be found that will assert, in the face of this evidence, that Masons or Lodges, Grand or Subordinate, tracing to Grand Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite can be recognized as legitimate by any self-respecting Grand Lodge. They are clearly ‘clandestine,’ if that word has any meaning.”

and under Louisiana, referring to the same topic, he says:

“ The Report on Correspondence is again from the erudite pen of Reverend Brother Herman C. Duncan, and his reports

are always good. He still insists that Grand Lodges and Grand Orients of Scottish Rite origin are entitled to recognition, and seeks to bolster up his cause by calling attention to the Lodge Etoile Polaire of New Orleans, which he denominates as a Scottish Rite Lodge, and which he says has had a continued existence since December 27, 1798, some five years longer than the date when the first Supreme Council was launched into existence at Charleston, South Carolina. It is very evident, therefore, that this Lodge, although it may use the Scottish Rite ritual, does not originally owe its existence to the action of a Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite. Our Reverend Brother is hardly as frank and disingenuous as we would have expected from one of his calling when he advances this instance to prove that all Scottish Rite Lodges are entitled to recognition, for he ought to have added the information (with which he must have been familiar) that the Lodge Etoile Polaire, deeming its first organization questionable, on June 3, 1811, procured itself to be chartered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as No. 129 of its registry. If all Scottish Rite Lodges could show as clean a geneology as Etoile Polaire, and trace its existence to a charter granted by some such Grand Lodge, the writer would never be found objecting to their recognition (or any Grand Lodge they might form) on the ground of illegitimacy of descent or the ritual used. We have never objected to Scottish Rite Lodges on account of the ritual used, but because of the illegitimacy of their birth. It is the impudent assumption by Supreme Councils of a control over the three symbolic degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry that we have been combatting. When John Mitchell and Frederick Dalcho, in 1803, launched the first Supreme Council upon the stream of time at Charleston, S. C., and commissioned the first Sovereign Grand Inspector General, thirty-third degree, they had no more right to give him a roving commission to go where he pleased throughout the world and charter Blue



Lodges than had any other two South Carolina Masons, and that is simply no right at all. The fact is they did not do so, nor attempt to do so. Instead the Supreme Councils of the United States, both of the Northern and Southern Jurisdiction have always disclaimed such right. It was only when that arrant degree peddler, Count De Grasse-Tilly returned to France and found it convenient to peddle the three symbolic degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry as well as the rest of his newly acquired side degrees that we hear anything about any right to, or control over these first three degrees being invested in Supreme Councils. On page 452 of Gould's Concise History of Freemasonry that learned author says:

“ ‘ In 1804—September 22nd—Compte De Grasse-Tilly established, in Paris, a Supreme Council thirty-third degree, of a *new* body calling itself the *Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite*. This, indeed, was descended in a direct line from the “Emperors” of 1758, and it is possible, from the Chapter of Clermont of 1754. But the highest portion of the new and imposing Masonic superstructure was undoubtedly constructed at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1801.’

“ But it is useless to continue the discussion. If the Lodge Etoile Polaire was a Scottish Rite Lodge and Grand Councils possessed the right to charter Lodges of Symbolic Masonry, why was not application made to the authorities at Charleston instead of applying in 1811 to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania?

“ Our brother quotes the Grand Lodge of England as authority for recognition. In 1909, Brother Strachan, Grand Register of the Grand Lodge of England, said in a letter to Past Grand Master Gallagher of Massachusetts:

“ ‘ Free Masonry is in such bad odor on the continent of Europe, by reason of its being exploited by socialists and anarchists, that we may have to break off relations with more Grand Bodies who have forsaken our landmarks.’



“ Brother Gallagher made personal examination and investigation on the continent and reported to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts that the Holy Bible, as a rule, has no place in any of the Lodges in any of the Latin countries of Europe, that no mention of God is made in the ritual, and no belief in God is required of their novitiates. That the Bible is not found on the Altar of ANY of the Supreme Councils of the Scottish Rite in any of the Latin countries at present. Yet it is this Godless, Bible-rejecting ilk that our reverend brother is anxious to fraternize with under the pretense of ‘ Masonry universal.’ ”

Under Kentucky, we quote :

“ He [Grand Master CLARK] thinks the solution suggested by us for curing the Grand Lodge imbroglio in Mexico the proper one, viz.: to have some legitimate Grand Lodge treat the Republic as unoccupied territory and charter three Lodges there which can unite and form a legitimate Grand Lodge.”

Under Massachusetts, our Brother writes of Past Grand Master NICKERSON :

“ Brother Nickerson was one of the most scholarly and best known Masons in the world. He was present at the preceding quarterly communication of his Grand Lodge, and as Grand Historian, presented an address combatting the claims of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to being the oldest Grand Lodge in America. We regret that his zeal for his Grand Lodge and the fervency of his convictions lead him at times into expressions not complimentary to his brother historian from Pennsylvania, but there can be no doubt of the sincerity of his purpose or of his convictions on the subject. It is of little moment, however, which is the eldest; the real vital question is, which is truest to the landmarks and traditions of the Craft? ‘ By their fruits ye shall know

them,' and this in the end will be the practical test the world will apply. Brother Nickerson passed from earth November 6, 1909, after a brief illness."

and, under the same Jurisdiction, he says:

"Singularly enough heretofore the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has, upon the expiration of the term of office of its Grand Master reduced his official title from 'Most Worshipful' to 'Right Worshipful.' It is the only Grand Lodge in the world that has done so and at this annual communication so amended its constitution as to put itself in line with all other Grand Lodges in this respect."

Our Brother is mistaken as to "the only Grand Lodge in the world," for the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Oregon do what Massachusetts did for so long. See "The Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Scotland," section 5, page 2.

Under New York, the following is well worth noting:

"Judge Advocate, Abel Crook, in an opinion concerning physical qualifications of candidates, published with the Proceedings, mentions as matters of veracious history 'the Gothic Constitutions adopted at York in the year 926,' and the 'General Regulations of 1663, under the Grand Mastership of the Earl of St. Albans.' Both of these events are supposed to be connected with the old Grand Lodge at York. Of this body William James Hughan says, in Masonic Sketches and Reprint, page 49:

"'No record of the appointment and installation of Grand Masters and Grand Officers, or of the existence of a Grand Lodge at York anterior to A. D. 1717 has ever been made public.'

"On page 20 of the same work he quotes with approval Alex Laurie, who, in speaking of this alleged early Freemasonry at York, said:



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“ ‘ If the antiquity of Freemasonry in Britain can be defended only by the forgery of silly and uninteresting stories, it does not deserve to be defended at all.’

“ In fact the ‘ Grand Mastership of the Earl of St. Albans,’ and the ‘ General Assembly at York in 926,’ by which the alleged Gothic Constitutions are supposed to have been ordained, are among the exploded myths of Freemasonry.”

Pennsylvania, not having come to hand, was not reviewed.

Number of Lodges, including one new one, 265; “ Master Mason Degrees conferred,” 1361; total membership, January 1, 1911, 26,421, a gain of 741.

Most Worshipful Brother ALEXANDER F. MATHESON, of Janesville, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM W. PERRY, of Milwaukee, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## WYOMING—1911.

THE Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Wyoming began its Thirty-seventh Annual Communication in the City of Cheyenne (just where, not stated), on Wednesday, September 6, A.D. 1911, and closed the following day, two morning and one afternoon sessions being held.

Most Worshipful Brother HUGH HYND, Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master is a business-like paper, he reporting

“ that peace and good fellowship has prevailed throughout this jurisdiction, and that although we have not advanced with great strides still we are increasing in numbers and influence. We have laid our Masonic foundation good and strong, and are building the superstructure upon it with care and deliberation, and upon the broad principles of morality, virtue and truth. Our financial condition and membership continue to improve and we may by economy and thrift con-

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fidently look forward to the accomplishment of some Masonic undertaking which will prove of lasting benefit to the membership of this Grand Lodge and Grand Jurisdiction."

In closing his twenty-fifth report, Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL, whose portrait as usual is given, tells us that he has seen the number of Lodges grow from 6 to 30 and the membership from 493 to 2639.

The following resolution was offered and laid on the table:

*"Resolved, That when degree work is being done on any degree, in the lodge room of any subordinate lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, smoking by any member present shall be considered as conduct unbecoming a Mason."*

We do not know just how to interpret this action.

Hereafter a jewel is to be procured for the outgoing Grand Master.

An interesting episode was the presentation to Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL of a fine scarf pin and sleeve buttons set with diamonds, as tangible tokens of confidence and goodwill of the members of the Grand Lodge, and suitable resolutions were adopted and ordered spread on the records of the Grand Lodge.

Very properly the portrait of the incoming Grand Master forms the frontispiece.

The report on Correspondence is the twenty-sixth from the Committee, Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, Grand Secretary, and is worthy of his practiced hand.

Under New Mexico, we quote:

"Yes, our brother is correct about a Mississippi Grand Master exercising the so-called prerogative, which he did by boarding an English vessel out in the Gulf, out of the jurisdiction of Mississippi, and making an Englishman, probably the material of some English Lodge, a Mason at sight, but



our brother has overlooked the fact that the Grand Lodge of Mississippi notified that Grand Master and his successors that such foolishness must not be repeated, and this is a reminder that a prominent Bishop of a church residing in one state journeyed several hundred miles and was made a Mason at sight by a Grand Master who knew he did not reside and did not intend to reside in his jurisdiction."

We presume the action of our Grand Master MITCHELL on February 4, 1885, in making the Right Reverend WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, D.D., Bishop of Iowa, a Mason at sight, is alluded to. It might have been as well for Brother KUYKENDALL to add, that the permission of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Iowa was asked and obtained, and that Brother PERRY became a member of a Lodge in Davenport, Iowa.

From our Brother's conclusion, we quote, with approval:

"That Ancient Craft Masonry greatly antedates all other brands will also probably not be disputed. That it established the first Grand Lodges or organized bodies which rightly claimed sole control over speculative Craft Masonry because of organizing same and the granting of Lodge charters and the sole right to confer the Craft degrees has never, to our knowledge, been successfully denied. Such being the case, reason and common sense dictates that, having assumed such power and control, no agreement would be or ever has been legally entered into with any other Rite for a division thereof whereby Lodge charters could be granted or the Craft degrees be legally conferred by any other Rite. Therefore, the granting of such charters and conferring of said degrees has been assumed by other Rites in foreign countries without any authority whatever so far as our knowledge of any evidence worthy the name is concerned. In support of our contention the two regular Scottish Rite bodies of this country do not claim that they have any right or power to grant

Lodge charters to to confer said degrees. Such being the case, certainly the same rite elsewhere has not and never possessed such power, and yet the Grand Lodges of Craft Masonry have been and are being importuned continually to grant recognition to Grand Lodges and Grand Orients organized by such illegal Lodges. We regret to say that the argument is used that they should be recognized because they represent the dominant rite in some foreign countries and that a few of our Grand Lodges have listened to the voice of the Siren by granting recognition to such illegal bodies, thus endorsing the unlawful assumption of powers non-existent. We are not questioning the action of any Grand Lodge in this matter, as we have no right to do so, but it does seem that committees instead of diligently seeking for something to recognize should carefully investigate the parentage of Grand Bodies from a legal standpoint, based upon Craft Masonry, before recommending recognition, especially when grief is liable to be the outcome in doses or as a whole eventually. As a member of the Scottish Rite we claim to be as loyal thereto as any member, and as ready to fight the battles of the two regular bodies thereof in this country. They are now in a position to take care of themselves through having a great field of material to draw upon, and if recognizing of other bodies of the rite or anything emanating therefrom is absolutely necessary they are the proper organizations to grant such recognition as applying to themselves alone, thereby leaving Grand Lodges of Craft Masonry to only consider the legitimacy of applicants for recognition belonging to the latter. They are separate and distinct rites and should so remain, except upon the ground existing between them in this country, and we are of the opinion that a few Scottish Rite Masons, who as reporters, Committees on Correspondence and writers, are advocating and recommending the recognition of illegal, so-called Grand Bodies directly in opposition to the well defined position of both rites in this



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country to which they owe obedience, are making a grave mistake which will result eventually in endless trouble and complications detrimental if not absolutely dangerous to the supremacy of Craft or York Rite Masonry in controlling the conferring of the Craft Degrees, which we are unalterably opposed to surrendering, either directly or indirectly, to any other rite in this country or elsewhere."

We re-echo our Brother's closing words:

"May we, as regular Masons in this broad land, ever remain a united band and may prosperity continue in the future as in the past, is our earnest wish and desire."

Pennsylvania for 1910 is given a page of brief review, and our "fine" report mentioned.

Number of Lodges, 30; initiated, 192; total Master Masons, 2639, a gain of 85.

Most Worshipful Brother HAROLD BANNER, of Casper, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother WILLIAM L. KUYKENDALL, of Saratoga, Grand Secretary, re-elected.

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## CONCLUSION.

DURING the year just closing, two great English Masonic writers have answered to the Great Summons: Brothers WILLIAM JAMES HUGHAN and HENRY SADLER, both of whom the writer numbered among his friends.

Brother HUGHAN, who was elected in 1877 an honorary member of Franklin Lodge, No. 134, Philadelphia, discovered a copy of W. SMITH's "Pocket Companion" in which a Lodge "The Hoop in Water-street in Philadelphia, 1st Monday" is listed, regarding which the late Brother JOHN LANE in his "Handy Book to the Lists of Lodges," wrote:

"Another Edition of W. Smith's 'Pocket Companion' was printed, or reprinted, in Dublin, in 1735. It also has a Masonic frontispiece, and is entitled '*A Pocket Com-*'

*panion for Free-Masons . . .* Dublin: Printed by E. Rider, and sold at the Printing Office, in George's Lane; T. Jones, in Clarendon-street. MDCCXXXV.' [1735.]<sup>1</sup>

"It contains 'A List of the Warranted Lodges in the Kingdoms of Ireland, Great-Britain, France, Spain, Germany, the East and West Indies, &c.' The first part of the List is made up of Irish Lodges, numbered consecutively 1 to 37. These are followed by 'A List of the Warranted Lodges in Great-Britain, France, &c.' all under the Grand Lodge of England, commencing with the number 38, and terminating with the number 168. Deducting the previous 37 Irish Lodges, it corresponds exactly as to the total number of Lodges with the English edition, namely 126. At the number 116—equivalent to 79 in the English List, in which, it will be remembered, the space is blank—are these words 'The Hoop in Water-street in Philadelphia, 1st Monday.' The precise origin of this record is uncertain, and its appearance in this List has, since its discovery by Bro. Hughan, been the occasion of much controversy on both sides of the Atlantic. A discussion of the questions involved is not within the scope of this work, and having stated my opinions on the subject at some length elsewhere [*Freemasons' Chronicle*: 19 February, 2 April, 7 May, 16 July, 3 September, 8 October, and 9 November, 1887], it is only necessary for me now to remark that it may be fairly assumed that the interpolation of 'The Hoop in Water-street in Philadelphia' into a copy of what was virtually an Official List would scarcely have been made without some reason that at the time appeared both adequate and satisfactory to the compiler of the List."

Brother HUGHAN was one of the founders of the celebrated literary Lodge, Quatuor Coronati, No. 2076, London, England, of which Brother SADLER was the Master at the time of his death in October. We recall with pleasure

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<sup>1</sup> Mas. Mag. January, 1877. Vol. 4, pp. 363-366.



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Brother SADLER's courtesies, when we visited Freemasons' Hall in London, some years ago. It would take up too much space to give a list of the writings of these two scholars, but by their diligence and industry they have brought to light a great store of information relating to things Masonic. May they rest in peace!

From time to time, in reading the various Proceedings, we come upon cases where a father has conferred a degree upon his son. We very much doubt if the following can be duplicated anywhere: At a stated meeting of Oakland Lodge, No. 535, held at the Masonic Temple in Pittsburgh, in this Jurisdiction, on November 7, 1910, the degree of Master Mason was conferred by Brother ISAAC E. ISAACS, Past Master, as Master, assisted by his eldest son, Brother ELEAZER ISAACS, as Senior Warden, his second son, Brother ABRAHAM S. ISAACS, Past Master, as Junior Warden, his third son, Brother HENRY S. ISAACS, Past Master, as guide, his fourth son, Brother ARTHUR S. ISAACS, as Senior Deacon, his fifth son, Brother LEO ISAACS, as Junior Deacon, upon his *sixth* son, Brother LOUIS ISAACS.

We are indebted to Brother GEORGE A. HOWE of our Committee for this very interesting incident.

The most important matter of general Masonic interest in this country during the year was the definite formation of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association at Alexandria, Virginia, on WASHINGTON's Birthday. In this report, under Alabama and Colorado, we have referred to the worthy objects of the Association.

This report is longer than was intended, but there were several matters concerning which it seemed well to write and quote quite fully.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. LAMBERTON,  
*Chairman.*

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